

के लिए इसी मंत्रालय के अधीन सभी कार्यालयों आदि को भेज दिया गया है तथा कार्यक्रम के कार्यान्वयन पर हिन्दी सलाहकार समिति की बैठकों में निरन्तर समीक्षा की जाती है और सुधारात्मक उपाय सुझाये जाते हैं।

बिहार में असन्तोषजनक टेलीफोन सेवा

1171. श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पटना सर्किट, बिहार के वर्तमान दूरसंचार प्रभागी की तैनाती के बाद से टेलीफोन सेवा के विस्तार की गति उतनी तेज नहीं रही है, जितनी कि होनी चाहिए थी; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं तथा वह इसके लिए किस हद तक जिम्मेदार हैं?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री राम निबाम मिश्र) : (क) जी नहीं। पिछले वर्ष टेलीफोन सेवाओं के विस्तार की गति पहले के वर्षों की तुलना में अधिक तेज थी।

(ख) उपरोक्त भाग (क) के उत्तर को मुद्देनजर रखते हुए प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

Lifting control on cement

1172. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to lift controls on the sale of cement in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD.

KHAN): (a) and (b) A scheme of partial decontrol of cement was introduced with effect from 28-2-82. Under this scheme, levy cement is under price and distribution control and non-levy cement free from such controls. As per present policy, Cement Industry is required to supply 60 per cent of actual production in the case of existing factories and 40 per cent at actual production in the case of new factories and those declared as sick, as levy cement at controlled prices.

There is at present, no proposal to lift price and distribution control, on levy cement.

Cement factories under CCI

1173. SHRIMATI MONIKA DAS: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cement factories controlled by the Cement Corporation of India working in different States at present;

(b) whether Government propose to set up few more cement factories during the current financial year; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) The number of cement factories the Cement Corporation of India have at present in different States is, as follows:

State	No. of Factories
Madhya Pradesh	3
Andhra Pradesh	2
Himachal Pradesh	1
Assam	1
Haryana	1
Karnataka	1

(b) and (c) Of the projects currently undertaken by the Cement Corporation of India, installation of the one million tonne plant at Tandur, Andhra Pradesh is scheduled to be completed during the current financial year.

Modernisation of PDIL

1174. SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Projects and Development India Limited (PDIL) had submitted a proposal for its modernisation about 5 years back; and

(b) if so, why there is so much delay in clearing the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) and (b) The Projects & Development India Ltd. (PDIL) submitted a proposal for the modernisation of Catalyst Plant in October/November, 1979. The said proposal was not found suitable and was withdrawn as it had not taken into consideration, among other things, the supply/demand of Catalysts for the gas-based fertilizer projects. Thus, a recast proposal, vetted by an independent Expert Committee, has since been received and is being examined.

Officers of Fertilizers Plants

1175. SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of officers at the top level working in the various fertilizer plants in the country; and

(b) how many of them are having professional qualification?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) There are at present eleven (ii) Officers in public Sector Fertilizer companies holding Board-level appointments.

(b) All of them are having professional qualifications except one Chief Executive who is a B.Sc. with advanced management training.

Funds for fertilizer plants

1176. SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of money allocated for each fertilizer plant for 1985-86, separately;

(b) what is the zone-wise percentage of money allotted during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) why a balanced, integrated and comprehensive approach in the matter of investment—decisions on merits is lacking?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) The total annual plan allocation for the schemes related to public sector fertilizer units is Rs. 541.47 crores during 1985-86. The unit-wise (scheme-wise) allocation is indicated in the attached statement. [See Appendix CXXXV, Annexure No. 29]

(b) Zone-wise, year-wise percentage of plan outlay on public sector fertilizer plants during the last three years is indicated below:—

(%)

Zone

Percentage outlay on public sector fertilizer plants

	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
1	2	3	4
North Zone	2.7	1.6	1.0
(Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan)			