

for setting up four units of captive power station at Korba in Madhya Pradesh; and

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

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) According to the Department of Mines, an agreement entitled "UK/India BALCO Power Project Aid Arrangement 1984" was signed on 20 9-1984 between Government of India & Government of United Kingdom allocating £131 million as UK aid for financing the setting up of a 4X67.5 MW coal based captive power plant at Korba for the Aluminium Complex of BALCO. Of the total aid of £ 131 million, £ 94 million shall be utilised for financing the supply and erection of plant and equipment from U.K. and £ 37 million to meet the related local costs.

Re-organisation of Central Ground Water Board

557. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to reorganise the Central Ground Water Board; and

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

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) To achieve the targets of coverage of the entire hydrogeological survey work by 1990 and exploratory drilling by 1995 and diversify its activities and modernise the organisation, a proposal for reorganisation of Central Ground Water Board has been approved in principle.

The proposal envisages creation of six additional regional directorates, four circle offices, four engineering divisions, two zonal offices and five Special studies Directorates for Map Production and Publication; Mathematical modelling, data storage; Remote Sensing and Ground Water Pollution, besides upgradation of the posts of Chief Hydrogeologist, Chief Engineer and Chairman, Central Ground Water Board.

Urban development works in Metropolitan cities

553. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Association for Metropolitan Development Authorities in India has recently urged the Central Government to put Rs. 500 crore at the disposal of the Reserve Bank of India for urban development works in the metropolitan cities; and

(b) if so, what action Government are taking in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GAFOOR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Fish Production

559. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total fish production during the year 1983-84; and

(b) what special measures have been taken to increase the production of fish during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) The total fish production during the