(c) by when the meeting is likely to be called to settle the pending issues of coal miners?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI GARGI SHANKAR MISHRA): (a) 3.9.1981.

- (b) Yes Sir.
- (c) Efforts are being made to convene a meeting of JBCCI as early as possible.

## Setting up of a National Power Grid

288. SHRI RAMANAND YADAV: SHRIMATI AMARJIT KAUR:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have drawn up plans to set up a integrated national power grid for optimum utilisation of the power generated in the country;
- (b) if so, what are the details of the plans; and
- (c) by when the national grid is expected to be brought into existence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN T MINISTRY OF ENERCY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) to (c) While the Government have accepted in principle the need for an integrated national electricity system. mechanics of creating the National Power Grid have to be worked out in consultation with the different State Govts State Electricity Boards, etc. In this connection, continuous dialogue with the State Governments etc. is going ahead.

## Public undertakings under the control of Ministry of Energy ...

289. SHRIMATI NOORJEHAN RAZACK: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the public undertakings under the control of his Ministry which are having their (i) liaison officers; (ii) Guest House, (iii) any other offices at Delhi;

- (b) what is the sanctioned existing strength, category-wise, in those offices at Delhi and what are the scales of pay attached to each of the posts; and
- (c) whether any of the headquarters office of the public undertakings under his Ministry is also located in Delhi; if so, what is the sanctioned/existing strength thereof and the scales of pay etc. attached thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

## Setting up of electronic switching factories ......

@290. SHRI GHOUSE MOHIUDDIN SHEIKH: Will the Minister of COM-MUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government are contemplating to set up two electronic switching factories with an investment of Rs. 76 crores each with employment potential of 18,000 people in each factory;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that one of them is being set up in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The Government has approved in principal to be up two electronic switching manufacturing units for telephone exchanges. The financial outlay is expected to be about Rs. 200 crores for each with an employment potential of about 3,000 people in each factory.

- (b) No decision has been taken so far regarding location of one of them in  $Andh_Ta$  Pradesh.
  - (c) Does not arise.
- @Previously Unstarred Question 72 transferred from the 8th July, 1982.