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1425. SHRI RAM BHAGAT PAS-WAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Power Projects Engineering Division and Chemistry Division of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre has developed sealant for nuclear Industry; and
- (b) if so, the steps proposed for its commercial exploitation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND ELEC-TRONICS (SHRI C. P. N. SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The Chemistry Division of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre and the Power Projects Engineering Division of the Department of Atomic Energy have developed indigenous sealants for nuclear industry in collaboration with the National Chemical Laboratory, Pune. The process is now available with the National Chemical Laboratory for commercial exploitation. A number of factories in the country are reported to have shown interest in the product.

No orders for BHEL

1426. SHRI S. KUMARAN: SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Business Standard of the 11th November, 1980 Captioned "No orders for BHEL"; and
- (b) if so, what is the position in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) BHEL order book position is satisfactory up to 1982. With more projects getting cleared and in view of the envisaged expansion in the Power sector in India, BHEL expects

its production units to be adequately loaded beyond 1982 also.

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Heavy water supply from the Soviet Union

1427. SHRI JASWANT SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether we have received any heavy water supplies from the Soviet Union, if so, what is the quantum thereof:
- (b) whether the Soviet Union had demanded and the Government of India have conceded, certain inspection facilities; and
 - (c) if so the details in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Under a contract entered into with the Soviet Union in September 1976, 241 tonnes of heavy water have been received so far.

(b) and (c) The application of safe-guards in connection with the supply of heavy water under the 1976 contract is governed by the bilateral Safeguards Agreement entered into by India with the International Atomic Energy Agency in November 1977. Copies of this Safeguards Agreement were placed on the Table of the House and are also available in the Parliament Library.

Nuclear fuel complex, Hyderabad and fuel for the Tarapur Atomic Plant

1428. SHRI NARSINGH NARAIN PANDEY:

SHRI RAM BHAGAT PAS. WAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Expansion of the Nuclear Fuel Complex (N F.C.) at Hyderabad to process and fabricate fuel for Nuclear Power Plants is under the active consideration of the Government, if so, what are the details in this regard and the expenditure involved;