

of the Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity for the release of Government advertisements.

Committee on working of state electricity boards

1214. SHRI S. K. VAISHAMPAYEN: Will the Minister of ENERGY AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee appointed to go into the working of State Electricity Boards has submitted its report to the Central Government; and

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations made by this Committee?

* THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) The report of the Rajadhyaksha Committee on Power, which is also going into the working of State Electricity Boards besides various other aspects of the power supply industry, is yet to be received by the Central Government. However, the Report is expected to be submitted to the Ministry of Energy (Department of Power) shortly.

(b) Does not arise.

Price rise in three band radio, and transistors

1215. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to the free licencing of two band radios and transistors, the price of three band radios and transistors "which were available generally on prices equal to two band radios, has increased;

(b) if so, whether Governments are considering to extend free licencing facility to three band receivers as well, particularly when the same band tuners are used for hand two

and band three receivers and which differentiates them; and

(c) whether it is a fact that deli-censing of the three band receivers will serve the public purpose on a much bigger scale and make the broadcasting really a mass communication media?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) No, Sir, Government do not have any information on this point.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

Taking over of DESU by Government

1216. SHRI SADASHIV BAGAIKAR: Will the Minister of ENERGY AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the fact that Delhi has been continuously facing acute power shortage and DESU has failed to bring about any tangible improvement, Government propose to take-over the functions of the undertaking to improve the situation; and

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

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN): (a) and (b) The Government of India is examining the question of rationalizing restructuring the management of electricity supply in Delhi.

Gailkhola Dam

1217. SHRI LEONARD SOLOMAN SARING: SHRI ALEXANDER WARJRI:

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the con-