

**THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI SHIV SHANKAR):** (a) to (c) The information is not readily available and is being collected.

**Production at Fertilizers and Chemicals (Travancore) Ltd.**

785. SHRI K. C. SEBASTIAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the installed capacity of Fertilizers and Chemicals (Travancore) Limited (FACT) Udyogamandal, Kerala;

(b) what was the total production in F.A.C.T. during the years 1978 and 1979;

(c) what are the reasons for the shortfall in production during these years; and

(d) what was the net profit or loss of F.A.C.T. during the years 1978 and 1979?

**THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL):** (a) The installed capacity of the plants of M/s. FACT is 2,74,000 tonnes of Nitrogen and 1,58,000 tonnes of P2O5.

(b) The total production in M/s. FACT's plants during the last two years is as under:

(in thousand tonnes)

	1978-79	1979-80
Nitrogenous Fertilizers (N <sub>2</sub> )	153.3	163.5
Phosphatic Fertilizers (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )	71.5	69.1

(c) The Udyogamandal unit being very old is not capable of operating near rated capacity. Production at Cochin plants was low mainly due to process and equipment problems.

(d) The company incurred a net loss of Rs. 5.54 crores during 1978-79. The provisional estimates for 1979-80 put the loss at Rs. 6.61 crores.

**Reduction in the price of coal**

786. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY

AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the price of coal has been allowed to be raised by 170 per cent since the nationalisation of the Coal Industry;

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

(c) whether Government propose to take steps to bring down the price of coal to a reasonable level?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI VIKRAM MAHAJAN):** (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The average pithead price of coal at the time of nationalisation was about Rs. 37.50 per tonne and is now about Rs. 101.10 per tonne.

(c) In view of the increase in the cost of production of coal as a result of increasing wage bill and rise in the cost of inputs, it is not feasible to bring down the prices.

**Advertisements collected for souvenir and bulletins by the organisers of the Filmotsav 1980**

787. SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the organizers of the FILMOTSAV 1980 at Bangalore collected a large number of advertisements for official souvenir and daily bulletins published by Film Festival Directorate and Film Corporation;

(b) what is the total number of advertisements booked, what amount was collected and what are the names of agencies and individual agents;

(c) whether various individual agents at Bangalore appointed by the Festival authorities have been paid their due commission after collection of bills; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the negative what are the reasons for delay in making payments of commission to the individual agents?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION**