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partment of Banking giving a few con-create cases to illustrate the kind of problems faced by them to enable Government to take remedial action in the matter.

क्वरिक कारखानों में विद्युत संयंत्रों का स्वापित किया काना

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क्या पेट्रोलियम क्षीर रसायन मंत्री यह बताने की इपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या उवँरक कारखानों में विधृत संयंत्रों को स्थापित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है: और
  - (ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

t[Setting up of power plants in fertiliser factories

26. SHRI RAJNARAIN: SHRI B. N. MANDAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up power plants in the fertilizer factories; and
  - (b) if so, what are the details thereof?]

पेट्रोलियम और रतायन मंतालय में राज्य मंत्री (को के० स्नार० गणेश): (क) श्रीर (ख) चालू विभिन्न उनरक एककों स्रथना उन प्रायोजनाओं, जिनका कार्यान्वयन किया जा रहा है, में कैप्टिव विजली उत्पन्न की सावश्यकता पर, प्रत्येक मानले के गुणावगुण के साधार पर विचार किया जाता है। कोटा, गोआ, कोचीन और सिन्दरी जैसे कुछ संयंतों में वास्तव में पहले ही कैप्टिव विजली संबंधी सुविधाएं उपलब्ध है।

t[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. R. GANESH):

t[ ] English translation.

(a) and (b) The requirement of captive power generation in the various fertilizer units in operation, or projects under implementation, is considered on the merits of each case. Captive power facilities are in fact already available in certain plants, such as those at Kota, Goa, Cochin and Sindri.]

## Oil exploration in Bengal Basin

- 27. SHRI MAHENDRA BAHADUR SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLE j UM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to I state.
- (a) the progress so far made in oil ex-I ploration in the Bengal Basin; and
  - (b) what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. R. GANESH): (a) and (b) On the basis of seismic etc. surveys done, the ONGC has released three locations *viz.*, Bakultala-I, Galasi-I and Galasi-II for drilling. Preparatory work for taking up drilling first at Bakultala-I is in hand.

The off-shore area adjoining West Bengal and certain parts of Orissa has been leased out for oil exploration to M/s. Carls-berg India Group, who has started geophysical survey of the area.

## Rail Link between Ernakulam and Madurai

- 28. SHRI B.-V. ABDULLA KOYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a survey has been conducted by the Railways for rail link between Ernakulam and Madurai; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SARDAR BUTA SINGH): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.