

used to be Rs. 1 lakh or more per annum will be considered during the next financial year.] .

Woollen shoddy mill at Nahan district

94. SHRI JAGAN NATH BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is such discontentment amongst the workers of woollen shoddy mill at Pointa Saheb in District Nahan, Himachal Pradesh, due to inability of its management to start production ; and

(b) if so, whether this mill has been included in the list of sick mills for take-over by the National Textile Corporation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI B. P. MAURYA): (a) The Employees Union of the mill has submitted representations regarding mismanagement.

(b) No, Sir.

Khodri Majri Power House on Yamuna Hydel Project

95. SHRI JAGAN NATH BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Khodri Majri Power House on Yamuna Hydel Project at Dhak Patbar in U.P. will be completed by i« scheduled date ; and

(b) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative what steps are being taken by Government to expedite the commissioning of the project within time ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (PROF. SIDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Khodri Power Project comprises of 4 units of 30 MW each. The first unit was scheduled to be commissioned in December, 1975. However, due to unfavourable geological conditions and labour trouble, it would not be possible to commission this

unit as well as the other units by the scheduled date. The critical item is the completion of the head race tunnel and the project authorities are making all possible efforts to accelerate the progress of construction.

96. [Transferred to the 26th November, 1974.]

Indo-Bulgarian Agreement

97. SHRI V. V. SWAMINATHAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indo-Bulgarian agreement on development of Science and Technology has been signed in October, 1974; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof V

THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI T. A. PAI): (a) Yes. The Indo-Bulgarian Agreement on Cooperation in the field of Science and Technology was signed on 11th October, 1974.

(b) The Agreement provides for contacts between the concerned scientific institutions in the two countries, participation in scientific conferences, exchange of scientists and scientific publications, documentation, and visits of senior experts. The Executive Working Programme which will define the specific areas of cooperation to be taken up under this Agreement is yet to be worked out.

Freedom fighter's pension to affluent persons

98. SHRI V. V. SWAMINATHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that many of the freedom fighters who are affluent and undeserving have managed to get pension ; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): (a) and (b) The pension? were sanctioned provisionally on the basis