

ASSISTANCE FROM U. N. FOR ENERGY RESOURCES

6. SHRI N. R. CHOWDHURY : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India has asked the U. N. to assist the developing countries in maximising their energy resources by arranging transfer of technology; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of U. N. thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, at the recent United Nations Inter Regional Seminar on Petroleum Refining in Developing Countries held at New Delhi, it was urged by some of the speakers that an international agency like the U. N. may help the developing countries in overcoming their pressing energy problem. The draft report of the Seminar is still under consideration by the U. N.

DAMAGE TO RAILWAY PROPERTY DUE TO FLOODS AND OTHER NATURAL CALAMITIES

7. SHRI GUNANAND THAKUR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of damage caused to railway property, zone-wise due to floods and other natural calamities during the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) the amount spent on the restoration and repair of railway property, zone-wise during the above period?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS : (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) and (b) the information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

DISPUTE OVER DISTRIBUTION OF SONE WATER

8. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD :

SHRI SHYAMLAL GUPTA :

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Bihar has urged the Prime Minister

to settle the dispute relating to distribution of Sone Water amongst Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI BALGOVIND VERMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SETTING UP OF WHEEL AND AXLE PLANT IN MYSORE

9. SHRI KALYAN ROY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question No. 58 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 13th November, 1972 and state :

(a) whether Government have since set up a Wheel and Axle Plant at Bangalore in Mysore State; if so, the details thereof;

(b) what is the annual requirement for wheel sets of the Railways; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the installed capacity at the Durgapur Steel Plant is insufficient to meet the requirements of the Railways?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) No, Sir. Details of the Project are still being worked out.

(b) The approximate requirement of wheel sets during the years 1973-74 and 1974-75 is as under:—

Years	All types of wheelsets
1973-74	28,886
1974-75	37,202

(c) Yes; owing to indigenous production falling short, Railways are having to import supplies also.

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10. SHRI SARDAR AMJAD ALI :

SHRI HARSH DEO MALAVIYA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :