

been drawn to the recommendations of the Conference of about 140 scientists, technologists and educationists held in Delhi in November, 1970 ;

(b) whether any action has been taken thereon ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER/प्रधान मन्त्री (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) to (c) The recommendations made by the Conference of Scientists, Technologists and Educationists held in Delhi in November, 1970 have been considered by the Committee on Science and Technology recently. The views/suggestions of the COST thereon will be examined by Government shortly.

SETTING UP OF URANIUM PROCESSING PLANT BY PAKISTAN

235. **SHRI D. D. PURI :** Will the PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY/प्रधान मन्त्री और परमाणु ऊर्जा मन्त्री be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any information about the indigenous pilot uranium processing plant set up by Pakistan at Lahore ;

(b) whether Government are aware of the source from where PAKISTAN is getting raw material for this plant ; and

(c) the possible use to which Pakistan is likely to put refined uranium produced in this plant ?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY/प्रधान मन्त्री और परमाणु ऊर्जा मन्त्री (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) and (b) According to press reports, Radio Pakistan has announced that a Pilot Uranium Processing Plant in the private sector capable of treating 453 kgs of ore per day has begun operation in Lahore. It has been designed and built entirely by Pakistani Engineers and Scientists and will be processing uranium ore found at Dera-Ghazi-Khan to get practical experience for the installation of large plants.

(c) We have no information.

ATOMIC POWER PLANT IN STATES

236. **SARDAR GURCHARAN SINGH TOHRA :**

SHRI B. V. ABDULLA KOYA :
SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHARAN :
SHRI S. A. KHAJA MOHIDEEN :
SHRI SWAI SINGH SISODIA :

Will the PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY/प्रधान मन्त्री और परमाणु ऊर्जा मन्त्री be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to set up additional atomic power plants in the country and if so, the details thereof ;

(b) whether some State Governments have recently requested the Union Government to set up Atomic Power Plants in their respective States ;

(c) if so, the names of the States who have made such requests ; and

(d) the reaction of the Union Government thereto.

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY/प्रधान मन्त्री और परमाणु ऊर्जा मन्त्री (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) The Profile for development of atomic energy prepared by the Atomic Energy Commission envisages the establishment of an additional 1700 MWe installed nuclear capacity by 1980.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir, such requests have been received in the last few months from Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh.

(d) A Site Selection Committee has been appointed to select suitable sites for establishment of new atomic power stations in the Northern, Western and Southern Electricity Regions.

237. [Transferred to the 4th June, 1971]

REMUNERATION TO RAVI SHANKAR

238. **SHRI A. D. MANI :** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING/सूचना और प्रसारण मन्त्री be pleased to state :

(a) what is the amount of remuneration