

(e) whether any communication has been received from the Government of Ceylon in this connection: and

(d) what action Government propose to take to get the agreement implemented soon?

THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAK-SHMI MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The matter is under discussion with the Ceylon Government.

DAMODAR VALLEY CORPORATION ELECTRICITY RATES

*86. SHRI R. G. AGARWALA: Will the Minister for IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the rates at which the Damodar Valley Corporation is giving electric power to the Government of Bihar in respect of Dhanbad and Kodarma areas; and

(b) whether there is any difference in rates, and if so, what is the reason for the same?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI J. S. L. HATHI): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

Rates charged by the Damodar Valley Corporation for supply of Power in Dhanbad and Kodarma areas in Bihar.

(a) 1. Dhanbad area—

Demand Charge (Monthly)

First 2000 KVA	Rs. 5/14/- per KVA.
Next 3000 KVA	Rs. 5/6/- per KVA.
Next 5000 KVA	Rs. 4/14/- per KVA.
Next 5000 KVA	Rs. 4/6/- per KVA.
Over 15,000 KVA.	Rates on application.
plus	

Energy Charge (Monthly)

First 200,000 KWh.	0.500 As. per KWh.
Next 300,000 KWh.	0.475 As. per KWh.

Next 500,000 KWh.	0.450 As. per KWh.
Next 1,000,000 KWh.	0.425 As. per KWh.
Excess over 2,000,000 KWh.	0.400 As. per KWh.

Surcharge for supply temporarily at 11 KV

(i) -4/- Four annas per KVA per month to every step of above Demand Charge.

(ii) 0.025 anna per KWh to every step of above Energy Charge.

2. Kodarma. area—

First 200,000 KWh/-	1.25 As./KWh.
month	

All in excess	1.00 As./KWh.
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(b) The rate in the case of Kodarma area is slightly higher than the rates charged for supply in the Dhanbad area. The Kodarma area is being supplied power from the Tilaiya Hydro-Electric Station, whereas the Dhanbad area gets supply from the Bokaro/ Sindri System. The two systems are not yet interconnected and the cost of generation at Tilaiya, which is a smaller generating unit, is higher, hence the difference in the rates for supply in the two areas.

औषधीय जड़ी बूटियों का निर्यात

२३. श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि १९५३-५४ में कितने मूल्य की औषधीय जड़ी बूटियाँ भारत से बाहर भेजी गईं ?

tTExpoRT OF MEDICINAL HERBS

23. SHRI KRISHNAKANT VYAS: Will the Minister for COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state the value of medicinal herbs exported during the year 1953-54?

वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री (श्री टी० टी० कृष्णमाचारी) : औषधीय जड़ी बूटियों के निर्यात सम्बन्धी अंक सरकारी आंकड़ों में अलग नहीं लिखे जाते। दृश से निर्यात होने वाली सभी प्रकार की "औषधीयों और औषधों" के विषय में आंकड़े रखे जाते हैं।