Establishment of big industries in states by Central Government

†4293. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- the details of the aid provided by the Central government for establishing big industries in States; and
- the amount of aid provided to industries, in the State of Rajasthan during the last three years, along with the details thereof, industry-wise and work-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industry & Public Enterprises has not provided aid for establishing big industries in States in recent years.

Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Revival plan for HMT

4294. SHRI T.M. SELVAGANA PATHI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- whether it is a fact that Government has decided to allocate funds to Hindustan Machine Tools (HMT) to revive it;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- whether it is also a fact that Government has decided to produce more (c) value added products from HMT; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (d) No, Sir. However, Revival plan is under consideration of the government.

Cut in oil import from Iran

†4295. SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- whether it is fact that Government has substantially reduced oil import (a) from Iran;
- if so, the details of the oil imported by the public and private sector companies from Iran during the period 2010-11 and 2011-12 and the target fixed for import of oil in the year 2012-13;

[†] Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

- (c) the reasons for reducing the import of oil from Iran; and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to fill the gap left by above cut in the import of oil?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

- Total crude oil imported from Iran by Indian companies during the period 2010-11 and 2011-12 is 18.50 MMT and 17.44 MMT (provisional) respectively. The target fixed for import of crude oil from Iran for the year 2012-13 is approximately 15.5 MMT subject to techno-commercial and other considerations.
- The quantum of crude oil imported by Indian refineries from various sources is decided by them on the basis of technical, commercial and other considerations. In order to reduce its dependence on any particular region of the world, India has been consciously trying to diversify its sources of crude oil imports to strengthen the country's energy security. Currently, India is importing crude oil from more than 30 countries spread across different continents and there is no shortage or gap envisaged in crude oil procurement by our refineries.

New LPG distributorship in Uttar Pradesh

4296. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:

Written Answers to

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- the details of representations received from Member of Parliament regarding opening up of LPG distributorship in Ballia district along the national highway from Ghazipur to Hajipur;
- whether Government has instructed IOCL to carry out survey for opening of LPG distributor at the said location;
 - if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof; and (c)
 - by when distributors would be appointed against the locations represented? (d)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (d) A reference from Hon'ble Member of Parliament was received for opening of LPG distributorships in Ballia district. Indian Oil Corporation Limited has reported that the feasibility study for opening of Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitaran (RGGLV) distributorships have been found to be feasible at Narahi, Majharia and Daulatpur.