

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto and whether Government has assessed the bearable rate of inflation, so far; and

(c) the months in which food inflation rate was maximum and minimum during the abovesaid period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) Rate of Inflation for food articles (Primary and Manufactured) was gradually brought down from its peak level of 20.22% in February 2010 to 6.77% in the Month of February 2011. Except for the month of January 2011 when the rate of inflation for food articles (Primary + Manufactured) was 10.28%, this rate has been in single digit since November 2010. The rate of food inflation was 9.91% for the month of October 2011.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Rate of Inflation for food items (Primary + Manufactured) was the maximum at 20.22% in the month of February 2010 and minimum at 6.76% for the month of November 2010 and 6.77% in February 2011.

Village energy security projects

*% . SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified villages/hamlets for test projects on village energy security throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, state-wise; and

(c) the details of the test projects undertaken in unelectrified remote villages and hamlets, during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The Ministry has identified 79 villages/ hamlets for implementation of test projects in 10 States of the country. The State-wise number of test projects identified/under implementation, are given in Statement-I (See below).

(c) During the last three years, 20 test projects, of which 17 test projects during 2008-09 and 03 test projects during 2009-10 were undertaken in un-electrified remote villages and hamlets by the Ministry. The location-wise list of test projects under taken 7 in un-electrified remote villages and hamlets is given in Statement-II (See below). During 2010-11, no test projects have been undertaken, as in the Mid-Term Appraisal of the 11th Five Year Plan carried out by the Planning Commission in September, 2009, 'it was decided to concentrate on consolidating the projects already taken up for implementation'. It was also decided that no new test projects will be supported.

Statement-I

State-wise number of test projects under implementation

Sl. No.	Name of State	Number of Test Project
1.	Assam	14
2.	Chhattisgarh	15
3.	Gujarat	2
4.	Jharkhand	3
5.	Madhya Pradesh	9
6.	Maharashtra	10
7.	Orissa	15
8.	Tamil Nadu	4
9.	Uttarakhand	4
10.	West Bengal	3
TOTAL		79

Statement-II

Location-wise list of test projects under taken in un-electrified remote villages and hamlets during the last three years (As on 22.11.2011)

Sl. No.	Name of Village and District	Implementing Agency	Status
1	2	3	4

2008-09

Chhattisgarh - (9)

1.	Amabahaar, District-Dhamtari	Chhattisgarh State Renewable Energy Development Agency, Raipur	Commissioned
2.	Bagdhara, District-Bilaspur	-do-	Commissioned

1	2	3	4
3.	Chhirhatti, District- Bilaspur	-do-	Commissioned
4.	Dhappani, District- Bilaspur	-do-	Commissioned
5.	Gourkhuri, District- Bilaspur	-do-	Commissioned
6.	Gadulbahara, District- Dhamtari	-do-	Commissioned
7.	Risgaon, District- Dhamtari	-do-	Commissioned
8.	Kathoutiya, District- Bilaspur	-do-	Commissioned
9.	Uparpara, District- Bilaspur	-do-	Commissioned
Maharashtra - (5)			
1.	Chopan, District- Amaravati,	Apeksha Homeo Society, Amaravati	Commissioned
2.	Bhingara, District- Buldhana,	Bhartiya Dnyanpith Bahuudeshiya Gramin Vikas Sanstha (BDBGVS), Yeotmal	Commissioned
3.	Chalis Tapari, District-Buldhana	Bhartiya Dnyanpith Bahuudeshiya Gramin Vikas Sanstha (BDBGVS), Yeotmal	Commissioned
4.	Kakadpana hamlet of Chinchohol village, District- Nasik	Gomukh, Environmental Trust for Sustainable Development, Pune	Commissioned

1	2	3	4
5.	Boritakheda, District- Amravati	DREAM Bahuudheshiya Sanstha, Amravati	Commissioned
Orissa - (3)			
1.	Karlikhamar, District- Nabrangpur	Gramodaya, Bhubaneswar	Commissioned
2.	Bhaliaguda, District- Mayurbhanj	Sambandh, Bhubaneswar	Commissioned
3.	Debabhuain, District- Cuttack	OPMDC, Bhubaneswar	Commissioned
2009-10			
Jharkhand - (3)			
1.	Dharamsai, District- West Singhbun	Eaga Energy India Pvt. Ltd., Kolkata	Under Implementation
2.	Mundasai hamlet of Tuiya village, District- West Singhbun	-do-	Under Implementation
3.	Rozokowa hamlet of Tuiya village, District- West Singhbun	-do-	Under Implementation
2010-11		Nil	

Crises faced by NALCO

†*97. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Aluminium Company (NALCO) has been simultaneously struggling with many crises of late;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.