

121.	Jharma.Ghorwani
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124.	Nendan- I
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[English]

### Wax Industry in Bihar

\* 408. SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wax industry in Bihar is facing crisis due to shortage of raw materials.

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to make the raw materials available to the wax industry; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIEN). (a) to (c). Demand of paraffin Wax far exceeds the indigenous production. To supplement the indigenous availability Government is arranging import from time to time to the extent possible within the constraints of foreign exchange availability.

### Purification of Polluted Water

4182. DR. RAVI MALLU: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware

of biological methods of purifying polluted water discovered by foreign scientists;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any research on the subject has been undertaken by the Indian Scientists; and

(d) if so, the details thereof:

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTRY OF STATES IN THE MINISTRY AND LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

### Irregularities in FCI

4183. SHRI LALIT ORAON: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned 'Khadya Nigam Mein Teen Crore Ka Ghapla' appearing in Hindi daily "Hindustan" Patna edition, dated January 10, 1992;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and