

**Expansion of Koyali Refinery in Gujarat**

\*470. SHRI P. K. DEO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an expert committee appointed by Government has recommended expansion of the Koyali Refinery in Gujarat;

(b) if so, what are their main recommendations; and

(c) whether Government have accepted those recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) The expert committee has not yet submitted its report.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

SHRI K. S. CHAVDA: How much time will be taken for the submission of the report?

SHRI P. C. SETHI: We are trying our best to have this report as soon as possible. We have also submitted this matter to be studied by a foreign expert. The picture of crude supply has also changed.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Sir, one day's allowance should be deducted of those Members who are absent.

MR. SPEAKER: No; I think, more allowance should be given for absence to complete the list.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: Sir, I want to make a submission. Shri Robin Sen has authorised Shri Krishna Chandra Halder to put question No. 468 on his behalf. According to the Rules, may I request you to be kind enough to allow him?

MR. SPEAKER: Yes, he can ask it.

**Eradication of Eye Disease Amongst Students in Delhi**

\*468. SHRI KRISHNA HALDER (on behalf of SHRI ROBIN SEN):

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether more than 75 per cent of the students in Delhi, particularly students of

Delhi University, are being affected by eye disease;

(b) if so, the reason for the failure of Health Services in eradicating the disease; and

(c) the steps taken by Government with regard to this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA): (a) A survey was conducted in 1970 by the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness. According to this, a large percentage of students suffered from trachoma and other diseases.

(b) and (c). All those who needed medical attendance were given treatment.

SHRI KRISHNA HALDER: I want to know the reasons for this disease.

SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA: The exact causes of this disease have not yet been decided but some congenital and other local influences are underlying this disease and these are being studied.

SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY: I want to know from the hon. Minister whether it is not on account of the deficiency of vitamin A, that is, milk and other things.

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI UMA SHANKAR DIKSHIT): That is so; that is one of the important causes.

MR. SPEAKER: Question Hour is over.

SHRIMATI JEYALAKSHMI: Sir. . .

MR. SPEAKER: You have got up after I said, the Question Hour is over.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: She is a lady Member.

AN HON. MEMBER: Be chivalrous.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: It is her maiden question.

MR. SPEAKER: That will be setting a bad precedent. I am sorry. I very much wanted to oblige you. I cannot do it now.

SHRI PILOO MODY: The rule has got the better of chivalry.