

Expert Committee set up by the Government to work out the details of the Integrated Programme has recently submitted its recommendations. These are receiving the attention of the Government. Other recommendations made by the Committee are still under consideration.

Production of Fertilizers

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Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state:

(a) how far, according to the latest estimates, the Third Plan target of fertilizer production is likely to be achieved by the end of the plan period;

(b) how far the shortfall is attributed to the failure of private sector licences in setting up factories according to schedule; and

(c) what decision has been taken for the cancellation of the licences of such entrepreneurs as have failed to initiate action to set up factories or are too much behind the schedule?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Alagesan): (a) About 50 per cent of the target of fertilizer production is likely to be achieved by the end of the Third Plan.

(b) About 75 per cent of the shortfall is attributable to the failure of the private sector to implement the schemes.

(c) The parties who were approved for establishing nitrogenous fertilizer factories at Tuticorin, Mangalore and Durgapur (222,000 tonnes nitrogen total capacity) have expressed their inability to proceed with those schemes. The licence for Tuticorin has been surrendered while it is proposed to proceed with the Durgapur Project in the public sector. Certain applications from other parties for Mangalore are under consideration.

In other cases the licensees are earnest about the implementation of their schemes and have made progress even though they are behind schedule.

Central Bureau of Book Production

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Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal for the setting up of a Central Bureau of Books Production;

(b) if so, when it is likely to be set up; and

(c) what will be its main aims and objectives?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Education (Shri Bhakt Darshan): (a) to (c). A scheme to set up a Central Bureau of Books Production is proposed to be included in the Fourth plan for production of literature in Hindi and other Indian languages. Details of the scheme i.e. its scope, financial implications, etc. have not yet been worked out.

Financial Position of D.M.C.

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