

TETRA UTHYL LEAD

*965. **Shri Sinhasan Singh:** (a) Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state the total cost of using Tetra Uthyl Lead in the Indian petrol?

(b) From which country or countries is Tetra Uthyl Lead imported?

(c) Is there any standard insisted for the use of petrol in India?

(d) If so, what is the standard?

(e) In what proportion is this Tetra Uthyl Lead used in petrol?

(f) Is it not a fact that power alcohol produced in India can be substituted for this Tetra Uthyl Lead and do Government propose to appoint a Commission of experts to go into this fact for providing a substitute for this imported article?

The Deputy Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Buragohain): (a) Except for a very small proportion, the petrol consumed in India is imported. The imported petrol is received blended with Tetra Ethyl Lead. The actual cost of Tetra Ethyl Lead that does go into the petrol consumed in India is not therefore separately available. The estimates of the cost of Tetra Ethyl Lead, however, vary from 1.5 to 7.5 pies per gallon of motor spirit.

(b) Most of the Tetra Ethyl Lead imported for blending with indigenously produced petrol comes from dollar sources.

(c) and (d). The petrol supplied is 70 octane.

(e) 2.5 to 3 c.c. per gallon.

(f) Power alcohol can be used as a substitute for tetra Ethyl Lead. There is no necessity to appoint any Commission of Experts. Govt. are examining the question.

TRANSMITTER AT POONA

*966. **Shri H. G. Vaishnav:** (a) Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the power

of the transmitter that has been installed at present at Poona and its range of listening?

(b) What is the maximum K.W. power proposed for the broadcasting station at Poona?

(c) What would be the listening range of the said station when the proposed high power transmitter is installed?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar): (a) 1 K. W. medium-wave transmitter is being installed at Poona. The range of its primary service would extend to a radius of about 25 to 35 miles, though it can generally be heard far beyond that range.

(b) 5 K. W. mediumwave.

(c) The range of the primary service of the station after installation of the 5 K.W. transmitter would be about 60 to 80 miles, but it would be heard upto a radius of about 200 miles.

INDIAN NATIONAL FLAG

*967. **Shri A. K. Gopalan:** (a) Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Portuguese Consulate in India refused to fly the Indian National Flag on the 15th August, 1953 while all other Embassies and Consulates in India flew the Indian National Flag alongside the flag of their countries?

(b) Do Government consider this as a breach of diplomatic practice and privilege?

(c) If so, what action do Government propose to take in this connection?

(d) Is it a fact that a demonstration led by the Goan Peoples' Party hoisted an Indian National Flag on the parapet in front of the Consulate on the 15th August, 1953?

(e) Has it come to the notice of Government that the Indian Police on duty at the place snatched away the Flag from the parapet?