

Power Crisis in Delhi

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 Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:
 Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:
 Shri Jagdev Singh Siddhanti:
 Shri P. C. Borooah:
 Shri D. N. Tiwary:
 Shri Yashpal Singh:
 Shri Bishanchander Seth:
 Shri Warrior:
 Shri Shree Narayan Das:

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state the result of the enquiries made by the Dharma Vira Committee and Damle Committee into Power failure in Delhi during July-August, 1962 and action taken in consequence thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Irrigation and Power (Shri Alagesan): A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 9].

Package Programme

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 Shri R. G. Dubey:
 Dr. P. N. Khan:
 Shri Subodh Hansda:
 Shri S. C. Samanta:
 Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
 Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:
 Shri Bhakt Darshan:
 Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
 Shri P. K. Deo:
 Shri Inder J. Malhotra:
 Shri Karni Singhji:
 Shri Maheswar Nalk:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the progress attained by various districts in India under the Package Programme towards the increase in the yield of food crops in the country;

(b) what was the nature of deliberations in the recent Conference of key personnel of Package Programme districts held at Delhi; and

(c) the suggestions made therein?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-488/62].

Explosion of Chlorine Cylinder at Ujjain Station

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 Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
 Shri S. M. Banerjee:
 Shrimati Maimoona Sultan:
 Dr. M. S. Aney:
 Shri Bagri:
 Shri Hem Raj:
 Shri Yashpal Singh:
 Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda:
 Shri P. K. Deo:
 Shri Kajrolkar:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about 300 persons fainted at Ujjain Railway Station on the 21st September 1962, when a chlorine cylinder exploded there at the time of loading;

(b) whether any enquiry has been made; and

(c) if so, the result thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) No Sir. There was no explosion but a chlorine gas cylinder developed a leak due to which large quantities of gas fumes came out and 273 persons were affected.

(b) and (c). A Senior Scale Railway Officers' enquiry has been held and their report is under examination. The matter is also being investigated by the Asstt. Inspector of Explosives, Gwalior, whose report is still awaited.