

completed. Pending investigations, the aircraft, which carried the consignments of gold, was allowed to proceed after the Air Company gave an undertaking to the effect that the aircraft would be produced as and when required for proceedings under the Customs law.

HALDIA REFINERY

746. SHRI N. K. SANGHI :
SHRI R. R. SINGH DEO :
SHRI Y. A. PRASAD :
SHRI BEDABRATA BARUA :
SHRI C. K. BHATTACHARYYA :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether an agreement relating to the proposed oil refinery at Haldia has been signed;

(b) if so, with which country and the main features thereof; and

(c) when it is likely to be implemented and the estimated expenditure involved ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH) :
(a) Yes.

(b) Firms from France and Romania have offered technical and financial collaboration to the Government of India in setting up a petroleum oil refinery at Haldia. The refinery will be designed initially to process 2.5 million tonnes of crude oil per annum and will have facilities to produce Liquefied Petroleum Gas, Aviation Turbine Fuel, Jute Batching Oil, Asphalt and Lubricating Oils in addition to other conventional products.

(c) The refinery is likely to be completed by the middle of 1970 at an estimated cost of Rs. 46 crores.

FERTILIZER PLANT AT KANDLA

747. SHRI N. K. SANGHI :
SHRI R. R. SINGH DEO :
SHRI Y. A. PRASAD :
SHRI BEDABRATA BARUA :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM & CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a second 70 crores fertilizers plant in the cooperative

sector is proposed to be set up at Kandla; and

(b) if so, the broad features thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH) : (a) Yes. This is the first cooperative sector fertilizer project.

(b) It will have a capacity of 215,000 tonnes of nitrogen, 127,000 tonnes of P_2O_5 and 66,000 tonnes of K_2O . The project will use naphtha and imported phosphoric acid as raw materials. It is estimated to cost Rs. 89.25 crores of which Rs. 38.17 crores will be in foreign exchange.

INCENTIVE FOR STERILIZATION

748. SHRI RAM KISHAN :
SHRI S. C. SAMANTA :

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

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal for giving a free transistor radio to couples who agree to undergo sterilization after having two or three children; and

(b) if so, the broad features thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH, FAMILY PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. S. CHANDRASEKHAR) :
(a) and (b) Yes, a tentative scheme on experimental basis is being thought of, for a limited area, in respect of persons who agree to undergo sterilization after two children.

TROMBAY FERTILIZER PROJECT

749. DR. RANEN SEN : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM and CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the expansion programme of the Trombay Fertiliser Project has been finalised;

(b) if so, the broad details thereof;