

Government do not control the dealership policy followed by the manufacturers of fertilizers in the private sector. The manufacturers in the private sector, while appointing private dealers take into account factors such as business experience and reputation of the applicant, availability of storage facilities with him, financial soundness etc.

Manufacturers do not maintain details of their dealers on the basis of caste, educational background etc.

#### Introduction of Electric Trains in Kerala

241. DR. V. A. SEYID MUHAMMAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state whether Government propose to introduce electric trains on all railway lines in Kerala in view of the fact that Kerala is a surplus State in the production of electricity?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): Not at present.

#### Derailment of G.T. Express at Sindi

242. SHRI SANTOSHRAO GODE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether recently 16 Up G.T. Express derailed at Sindi Railway Station in Wardha district;

(b) if so, the causes of derailment; and

(c) the extent of damage to Railway property and human life?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) Yes. The accident took place on 24-5-1977.

(b) The Additional Commissioner of Railway Safety, Bombay has held his statutory inquiry into this accident. According to his provisional finding, the accident was due to the failure of railway staff.

(c) The cost of damage to railway property was estimated at approximately Rs. 3,81,794/-. In this accident, one person sustained grievous and 7 simple injuries.

#### Trains from Pathankot to Kangra Valley

243. SHRI DURGA CHAND: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the passengers travelling from Pathankot to Kangra Valley face great hardships as Pathankot is not the terminal for any train; and

(b) if so, whether it is proposed to start any additional train or to attach additional bogie to present trains at Pathankot to cope with the rush of passengers for Kangra Valley?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Srinagar Express

244. SHRI DURGA CHAND: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no connecting train for Kangra Valley at Pathankot for the passengers travelling in Srinagar Express from New Delhi:

(b) whether these passengers have to wait at Pathankot to catch a train or Bus for Kangra Valley for many hours causing great hardships to these passengers;

(c) whether any study has been made in this respect; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to start Srinagar Express from New Delhi at or after 18.00 hrs. facilitating the passengers to have a con-