

Automatic Exchange in Phulabani district, Orissa; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 4 medium type automatic exchanges are proposed to be set up in Orissa during 1985-86; subject to availability of stores. In addition, one electronic exchange is planned for commissioning in 85-86.

(c) & (d). Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to set up a 400 line electronic exchange at Phulbani. The exchange is expected to be commissioned in 1986-87.

New Drug Policy

21. SHRI CHINTA MOHAN : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the unrest amongst indigeneous drug manufacturer on Government's new drug policy which is considered by them to be a blow in process of indigenisation and set back to self-reliance, self-sufficiency and India's Industrial Policy Resolution; and

(b) if so, the corrective steps proposed ?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL) : (a) and (b). National Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Development Council which was appointed of 19th April, 1983 have since submitted its report on the Drug Policy to the Government. Government are yet to take a division on the changes/modifications needed in 1978 Drug Policy.

Introduction of Pin Type Cooking Gas Cylinders

22. SHRI KALI PRASAD PANDEY : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state :

(a) the areas in Delhi where pin type cooking gas cylinders have not yet been introduced; and

(b) when the said pin type cylinders are proposed to be introduced in those areas also ?

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) There are only few areas in South Delhi where new self-closing pin type cylinders are yet to be introduced.

(b) By 31.8.1985.

[*Translation*]

Production of Raw Material for L.D.P. Plastic by I.D.P.L.

23. SHRI VISHNU MODI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that raw material for L.D.P. plastic is produced in the country by I.D.P.L.;

(b) if so, whether requirements of small plastic industrial units for raw material L.D.P. are met with the production of this undertaking by distributing it among them;

(c) whether L. D. P. is in short supply these days and it is being sold in black market;

(d) whether it is the policy of Government that raw material be distributed among small units through some Government agency;

(e) if so, whether I. D. P. L. is distributing L. D. P. among small units in this area through private distributors and the reasons therefor;

(f) whether Government have conducted any enquiry into this matter; and

(g) if so, the outcome thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) to (g). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.