

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SHEILA KAUL):** (a) & (b). During 1990-91, HUDCO had allocated loan of Rs. 63.9 crores to A.P. for the reconstruction of houses damaged by cyclone. But the State housing agencies have been able to draw only Rs. 11.17 crores till 30.11.91.

The main reason for non utilisation of fund is non-submission of schemes by the State housing agencies to HUDCO. There has also been delay in implementation of some schemes by the State Housing Agencies.

(c) and (d). HUDCO has also arranged a line of credit amounting to Rs. 30 crores from National Housing Bank who have indicated that the entire amount has to be drawn before 31.12.91.

#### **Job Opportunity under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana**

**3290. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA:** Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the job opportunities State-wise, proposed to be created under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana in the Eighth Plan?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY):** The quantum of job opportunities proposed to be created in each State under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana has not been determined so far because the Eighth Five Year Plan has not yet been finalised.

[Translation]

#### **Market Price**

**3291. SHRI SURAJBHANU SOLANKI:** Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the wholesale and retail market price of Cement Bricks, Iron (Steel), rods, fertilizers, angle irons, edible oil, vegetable oil in April, 1991;

(b) the wholesale and retail market price of the said items in the end of October, 1991;

(c) the reasons for hike in the prices; and

(d) the steps Government propose to take for price control?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN)** (a) and (b). Statement-I indicating the wholesale price index numbers of the specified items during April 1991 and during the week ending 26.10.1991 and Statement-II containing the retail/consumer prices are enclosed.

(c) and (d). Factors like a large liquidity over hang inherited from the past, unavoidable increase in administrative prices of petroleum products, fertilisers etc. as part of the fiscal adjustments, the serious constraints on supply management through imports as a result of the precarious balance of payments situation, inflationary expectations arising from the exchange rate adjustments in early July and the uneven progress of the monsoon until late August 1991 have all contributed to the hike in prices. The Government steps for price control comprise, inter-alia, substantial reduction in fiscal deficit, check on expansion of money supply, more effective management of supply and demand of essential/sensitive commodities, streamlining of public distribution system, providing crucial facilities such as infrastructural support for achieving higher production and better distribution, and strict action against hoarders and profiteers.

## STATEMENT — I

## Change in Wholesale Price Index of Selected Items (Base: 1981—82)

Item	Index for April 1991	Index for week ending 26.10.91 (Provisional)	%age change / J.3/Col.2
1	2	3	4
1. Cement	189.8	194.4	+ 2.4
2. Fire Bricks	133.2	158.5	+ 15.2
3. Iron & Steel	206.7	210.5	+ 1.8
4. Bars & Rods	201.8	203.0	+ 0.6
5. Fertilizers	99.1	158.2	137.4
6. Angles, channels & Sections	203.5	203.5	—
7. Edible Oils	250.3	273.4	+ 9.2
8. Vanaspathi	264.6	285.1	+ 7.7

Source: Office of the Economic Adviser, Ministry of Industry.

## STATEMENT — II

## Retail/Consumer Prices of Selected Items

April, 1991	October, 1991
1. Cement (Rs. per bag)	
Delhi	122 — 120
Calcutta	112 — 120
Bombay	97 — 105
Madras	92 — 97
2. Bricks* (Rs. per 1000 numbers) 1st Class.	
Delhi	700.00
Calcutta	1434.00
Madras	780.00**
Pune	950.00
Pondichery	530.00
	112 — 114
	110 — 127
	100 — 110
	98 — 103
	750.00
	1867.00
	740.00***
	950.00
	480.00

\* The prices are for March, 1991 and September 1991 instead of for April, 1991 and October, 1991.

\*\* This date is for March, 1991.

\*\*\* this data is for June, 1991.

② Rand Moulded

3. Iron & Steel (M.S. Round Bars) (Average)  
(Unit — Rs./MT)

	March, 1991	September, 1991
Calcutta	10350.00	11400.00
Delhi	10233.33	11400.00
Angle Iron (Average Size)		
Calcutta	10400.00	13000.00
Delhi	N.A.	N.A.
Wire Rods 8 MM (Rs./MT)		
	May, 1991	October, 1991
Calcutta	10940	10580
New Delhi	N.G.	N.G.
Madras	12340	N.G.
Bombay	11470	11200
Tor Steel 10 MM		
Calcutta	10940	10700
New Delhi	11920	11770

	March, 1991	September, 1991
Madras	12180	11300
Bombay	12300	11950
<i>HR Coils 3.15 MM</i>		
Calcutta	13310	12450
New Delhi	12010	12800
Madras	12970	13500
Bombay	13580	13700

Source: Department of Steel and National Building Organisation.

4. Fertilizers (Rs. per tonne).

	April, 1991	October, 1991
Urea	2350	3080
DJ-Ammonium Phosphate	3600	4680
M.O.P.	1300	1700

Source: Department of Fertilizers.

5. *Edible Oils and Vegetable Oil (Rs. per kg.)*A. *Vanaspati*

Delhi	33.00	45.00
Bombay	37.50	50.00
Madras	38.00	48.00
Bhubneshwar	39.00	48.00

B. *Groundnut Oil*

Delhi	38.33	48.00
Bombay	36.00	42.00
Madras	35.00	38.00
Bhubneshwar	46.00	50.00

C. *Mustard Oil*

Delhi	27.00	35.00
Bombay	30.00	40.00
Bhubneshwar	30.00	39.60

Source: Department of Civil Supplies.