

addition there is a supporting services for teachers on Saturdays. From time to time selected programme materials particularly for teacher training are made available on video in different languages.

7 A package of 33 programmes in Hindi and English is under preparation for distribution to the District Institutes of Educational technology, Language versions will be made available at a latter stage.

8 According to University Grants Commission (U G C) as far as higher education is concerned, each University through its Academic Bodies recommended a number of books as text Reference books. These books are published by the publishing houses or by State Text Book Bureau or by Granth Academies in regional languages.

9 The Commission is preparing model video lectures in 15 subjects of which 6 i.e. Chemistry Mathematics Physics Zoology Botany and Computer Science are in Science subjects. These are for further transmission to and translation by Universities/State Governments in regional languages.

Sugarcane Juice

5340 SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state

(a) whether sale of sugarcane juice has been banned in Delhi, and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D K THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Sale of sugarcane juice has been banned both by Municipal Corporation of

Delhi and New Delhi Municipal Committee for a limited period as a preventive measure for the control of spread of gastroenteritis and cholera in Delhi as the sugarcane juice is mostly sold in unhygienic conditions.

Export of Sawn Timber

5340-A SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state

(a) whether the timber industry has urged the Government to encourage export of sawn timber on priority basis,

(b) if so the details thereof along with the suggestions made by timber industry in this regard and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) (a) and (b) Representatives of the Timber Industries have suggested that they may be allowed to export the Sawn timber processed from the wood logs imported against advance licences,

(c) The suggestion is under examination.

12 00 hrs.

[*Translation*]

SHRI LAL K ADVANI (Gandhi Nagar) Mr Speaker, Sir, daily we receive news from Punjab, yesterday also there was a news that 31 security personnel and their families were killed. But today in Delhi, for nearly two hours in the morning bullets were exchanged between terrorists and security personnel. It was in Paschim Vihar the constituency of Khuranaji. The Government should give us the information about the number of casualties in that area. A major incident has taken place which gives rise to the doubt that these