

Hemlock Semi-conductor Corporation of U. S. for the supply of both technology and equipment for the National Silicon Facility at Baroda ;

(b) whether India's leading scientists have voiced their opposition to the agreement ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENTS ATOMIC ENERGY SPACE AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) Yes, Sir. The agreement provides for supply of process know-how, basic engineering and proprietary equipment for production of polysilicon.

(b) and (c). Some Indian scientists have opposed the agreement mainly on the ground that indigenous technology is available for the production of polysilicon of requisite purity.

Killing of Raja Man Singh

74. SHRI M. MAHFOOZ ALI KHAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the killing of Raja Man Singh a senior most legislator in Rajasthan Assembly and a candidate for the recent assembly elections by police firing along with two of his supporters ; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government with regard thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) Yes Sir,

(b) The State Govt. has reported that they have ordered a judicial enquiry into the incident of firing at Deeg on 21.2.85 by a sitting Judge of the M.P High Court. Some Police personnel responsible for the firing have been placed under suspension.

The case relating to the firing incident has been entrusted to the CBI to ensure speedy and impartial investigation.

Price of Colour T. V. Sets :

75. SHRI MOHANLAL PATEL : will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the price of colour T. V. sets is likely to be increased;

(b) if so, the main reasons therefor;

(c) the approximate price of colour T.V. Set at present and the amount likely to be increased ; and

(d) what steps are being taken to check the rising trend of the colour TV set ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The approximate price of the CTV sets in Delhi inclusive of all taxes as per survey conducted by Department of Electronics, varies from about Rs. 6,500 - to Rs. 10,600/-. No increase in the price is expected.

(d) Government has taken following indirect measures to bring down the price of CTV sets :

(i) issuing industrial approvals liberally, with out any upper limit on capacities so that economically viable level of production could be achieved and competition encouraged.

(ii) reducing Government levies like customs duty on imported raw materials/ components, reduction in excise duty, etc.