

Multi-Purpose Gas from Coal

2260. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA :

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Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether a new energy-efficient technology which provides for production of multi-purpose gas from any quality of coal has been offered in India ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the steps taken by Government to develop it ; and

(d) how far it will be helpful in solving the problem of shortage of fuel oil and fuel gas ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) to (d) The material is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House,

Increase in Prices of Molasses

2261. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the price of molasses has been increased recently ;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the increase ;

(c) the names of the industries which affected by this price rise ; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to check the rising trend of prices of molasses ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH) : (a) to (d) The prices of molasses are controlled under Molasses Control Order, 1961. The Government has not revised the prices of molasses after October, 1975.

Manufacture of INH Drug

2262. SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state

(a) the priority list of medicines that are imported ;

(b) whether INH required for T. B. patients, is imported while India has sufficient capacity to manufacture the same ; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to manufacture INH-drug in India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH) : (a) No such priority list has been drawn up by Government.

(b) In 1984-85, some quantities were imported because of production problems. The current requirements can be met by indigenous production.

(c) Does not arise.

Construction of Departmental Buildings for head Post Offices and sub Post Offices

2263. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the North West Postal Circle has chalked out any programme for the construction of departmental buildings for head post offices and departmental sub post offices during the current financial year ;

(b) if so, the names of the institutions, District-wise for each constituent State of the Circle, where the buildings would be taken up for construction during this year ;

(c) if not, the likely date by which its programme would be finalised ; and

(d) the names of the institutions, District-wise, proposed for this propose ?

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

(b) Details one indicated in the Statement given below. This is subject to availability of funds.

(c) and (d) : Do not arise.

Statement

List of Building Works to be taken up in North-Western Postal Circle, State-wise during 1985-86

HARYANA STATE	District
1. Ambala General Post Office	Ambala
2. Sadar Bazar Sub Post Office	Ambala
3. Bahadurgarh Head Post Office	Rohtak
4. NIT Faridabad Head Post Office (vertical extension)	Faridabad
5. Nangal Chaudhary Sub Post Office	Mohindergarh
PUNJAB STATE	
1. Khanna Head Post Office	Ludhiana
U. T. CHANDIGARH	
1. Chandigarh Sector 9 Sub Post Office	Chandigarh
2. Chandigarh Sector 29 Sub Post Office	Chandigarh
3. Chandigarh Sector 30 Sub Post Office	Chandigarh
HIMACHAL PRADESH	
1. Hamirpur Head Post Office (Extension)	Hamirpur
2. Mandi Sub Post Office	Kulu
3. Rampur Bushahar Head Post Office	Rampur
4. Palampur Head Post Office	Kangra
5. Pooh Sub Post Office	Kinnaur

Downgradation and upgradation of extra departmental sub offices and extra departmental branch offices

2264. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) Whether the Postal authorities have downgraded any extra departmental sub-offices to the status of extra departmental branch post offices and upgraded a number of extra departmental branch offices to the status of extra departmental sub post offices during the past three years, including current financial year ; and

(b) if so, the details of downgradations and upgradations for each Postal Circle (State-wise) for each constituent State and the reasons therefor in each case ?

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

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Opening of a branch of Small industries service Institute

2265. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have approved the opening of a branch of small Industries Service Institute at Hamirpur and an extension centre at Mehatpur in Himachal Pradesh ;