THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND **PETROCHEMICALS** (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (c). Phexin capsules which contain Cephalexin manufactured by M/s. Capsulation Services and are marketed by M/s. Glaxo Laboratories India Ltd. These capsules are covered under Category-III of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1979 for the purpose of prices control. When M/s. Capsulation Services introduced Phexin capsules, they were exempt from price control as their sales turnover was less than Rs. 50 lakhs.

(d) Details would have to be called for.

Delay in Exploration of Oil in South Bassein

1391. SHRI C. JANGA REDDY: DR. A. K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the South Bassein 'giant' gas field was discovered in 1977 but it will be made use of around 1987:
 - (b) if so, the reasons for this delay:
- (c) the details of the plans for the infrastructure to use this gas; and
- (d) the estimated output in its first year of production?

STATE OF MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF **PETROLEUM** THE AND **NATURAL** GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) and (b). The first exploratory wells drilled in South Bassein field in 1976 indicated the presence of oil and gas and there were no traces of Hydrogensulphide (H2S). However wells drilled in Panna in 1982 indicated the presence of HoS: as Panna and Bassein are twin structures having fluid continuity, presence of H₂S in Panna field led to the possibility of Bassein Gas being sour. This was confirmed in 1983 and therefore it has been decided to set up a gas sweetening plant at Hazira for removal of H2S, in order to render this gas fit for use.

- (c) Apart from the construction of the gas sweetening and sulphur recovery plants, a 1730 km long pipeline is proposed to be laid to transport this gas, after it is brought onshore, to eventually meet the feedstock requirements of eight fertilizer plants and fuel requirements of two gas-based power plants being set up along the pipeline; it is also proposed to extract LPG from this gas at appropriate locations along the pipeline.
- (d) the estimated output of gas in its first year of production is in the order of 10 Million Cubic Metres per day (MMCMD); it is proposed to increase this to 20 MMCMD in subsequent years.

[Translation]

Purchase of land and floor area by BHEL in Asian Games village, Delhi

1392. SHRI C. JANGA REDDY: DR. A.K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited has purchased land at the rate of Rs. 4000 per sq. metre and the floor area at the rate of Rs. 4,549 per sq. metre in Asian Games Village, for their reception room and administration wing;
- (b) if so, the details of advertisements given and tenders invited for purchase of cheaper land and rooms in Delhi at competive rates:
- (c) whether any commission was also paid for this purchase of about rupees ten crores and if so, how much and to whom; and
- (d) the amount so far spent on the above mentioned work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM):
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The buildings in Asian Games Village were purchased by BHEL from Delhi Development Authority on a negotiated basis.