- (a) whether any report has been submitted to Government proposing for nationalisation of the sugar industry; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and Governments reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI ' H.K.L. BHAGAT) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise,

Non Implementation of newPrices for Drug Formulations

3601. SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJU:
SHRI H.N. NANJE GOWDA:
SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAJK:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has been reported that a number of drug units have decided not to implement new prices of drug formulations in Category I and II under the Drug Price Control Order, 1987;
- (b) if so, what are the main reasons put forward by these units;
- (c) whether Government have considered their suggestions; and
- (d) if so, to what extent they have been accepted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS & PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R.R. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Employees of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited

3604. SHRI R. JEEVARATHINAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of labour, skilled and unskilled parmanent and casual, category-wise, employed in the Bharat Heavy Electri-

cals Limited unit in Ranipet, North Arcot district, Tamil Nadu; and

(q) what is the recruitment procedure regarding employment of casual labour in that unit?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) The number of skilled, unskilled and casual labour, employed in BHEL unit in Ranipet, North Arco District, Tamil Nadu, is as under:

Skilled		Unskilled	
Permanent	Casual -	Permanent	Casual
897	46	552	34

(b) The casual labour is employed from amongst local people subject to require ment and recruitment specifications being met.

Use of Fuel Generated from Biogas Plants

3605. SHRIMATI VYJAYANTHI-MALABALI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in most of the biogas plants established in certain parts of the country under subsidy scheme of the Union Government, large quantities of fuel generated are being wasted; and
- (b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to make use of the fuel generated from these plants?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRIVASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) No, Madam. Generation of fuel gas from biogas' plants depends upon many variable factors, such as capacity of the plants, quantity and frequency of addition of cattle dung, ambient temperature, etc. With a view to make optimum use of biogas plants installed, State Governments and programme implementing agencies have already been instructed to organise large number of Users' Training Courses in the operation and maintenance of plants, and arrange post-installation servicing and repairing of plants.