LPG distributor (excepting the Cooperative Societies) would be allowed to handle per month has been fixed as under:—

Market Number of refills per month

Bombay 6,000 Delhi 4.000

Other cities with populalation over 10 lakhs 3,500

Cities with population between 2 and 10 lakhs 3,000

Other places 2,500

The companies have been advised to restructure their existing LPG distributorships on the basis of these norms.

However, in respect of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation, cooking gas distribution is mostly done through certain concessionaires like M/s. Kosangas Company, Jay Kay Gas Company, East Coast Gas Company, Domestic Gas Private Limited etc. These concessionaires supply cooking gas to consumers through their agents. The question of restructuring these agencies of the concessionaires would be possible only after these concessionaires are fully taken over. Steps in this regard have already been initiated.

- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (e) With the anticipated large-scale increase in the IPG availability in the country from 1980, it may be possible to extend its marketing in due course to smaller towns and rural areas based on following:—
  - (i) Anticipated customer potential;
  - (ii) Nearness of the market from the sources of supply;
- (iii) Availability of safe/convenient mode of transport;

- (iv) Maximum utilisation of distribution equpiment; and
  - (v) Viability in operations.

## Report of high power Accident Enquiry Committee

386. DR. VASANT KUMAR PANDIT:

## SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had appointed a high power Accident Enquiry Committee to go into the whole question of accidents and examine the adequacy of existing set up and to suggest measures for prevention of the accidents; and
- (b) whether the Committee has submitted its report; what are the main recommendations and the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) Yes.

(b) The Committee has not yet submitted its report.

## Committee to decide for the site of fertilizers plant on Bombay High

387. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHE-MICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had appointed a committee under Shri Gangoli to decide the site for the proposed gas based fertiliser plant on Bombay High;
- (b) if so, what are the recommendations of this committee;