

(c) what are the assets built up by these companies in India after remittance of profit abroad?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA):

(a) and (c). A statement furnishing the requisite information for the years 1974/1974-75, 1975/1975-76 and 1976/1976-77, in respect of foreign drug companies in the organised sector having direct foreign equity exceeding 40 per cent, is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-2882/78*].

(b) Repatriation of profits etc. is permitted in terms of relevant statutory/regulatory provisions applicable to such foreign companies in all Sectors of industry.

Passenger Halt at Tankapani

1232. **SHRI AINTHU SAHOO:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to open a new passenger halt at Tankapani in the S. E. Railway between Waltair to Raipur near Hamistankat Road (ORISSA BOLANGIR); and

(b) if so, when is it going to be implemented?

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

(b) The proposal is under examination by South Eastern Railway and a decision will be taken as soon as possible.

Production of Linear Alkyl Benzene by IDPL for Manufacture of Detergents

1233. **SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPAN:** Will the Minister of PETROLEUM,

CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the IDPL has developed a new material called linear alkyl benzene for manufacturing detergents;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have a proposal under consideration to use this new material exclusively in the Small Scale detergents manufacturing; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA):

(a) and (b). No, Sir. However, Indian Petrochemicals Corporation Limited has been licensed to manufacture 30,000 tonnes per annum of linear alkyl benzene based on process know-how from M/s. Universal Oil Products, USA and is likely to commence production shortly.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

New Fertilizer Complex in Maharashtra

1234. **SHRI A. BALA PAJANOR:** Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) particulars of the final decision taken in regard to the location of the new fertilizer complex in Maharashtra;

(b) the estimated cost of the project and the cost escalation due to the long delay in decision; and

(c) whether in the proposed location care has been taken to reduce pollution hazards?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILI-