

cent, streamlining the movement of sugar from the factories, increase in the transport charges for road movement upto the rail head allowed to the sugar mills, visit of high level teams to Maharashtra, U.P. etc., to sort operational problems, revalidating of the lapsed quotas of levy sugar, removal of restrictions on the movement of khandsari from U.P. to other States and strict instructions to the State Governments to take energetic steps against the hoarders etc.

Import of Alcohol based Chemicals

789. SHRI CHANDRABHAN ATHARE PATIL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the chemicals with alcohol as raw material which can be produced in the country and are being imported from abroad;

(b) the quantity of each of such chemicals imported and amount spent

thereon during each of the last four years giving the reasons for the imports; and

(c) what is the policy of Government about the import of technical know-how for the production of alcohol based chemicals, when such know-how is not available indigenously?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) Alcohol based chemicals like Acetone, 2-Ethyl Hexanol, Polyethylene and P.V.C. are presently being imported to supplement local production.

(b) The quantity and value of the imports of such chemicals is detailed in the enclosed list. The imports have been made to supplement local production in order to meet the demand.

(c) The import of technical know-how for the production of alcohol based chemicals, when not available indigenously, is considered by Government on merits.

Statement

Import of Major Alcohol based chemicals during the years 1975-76 to 1978-79

CIF Value : Rs. Lacks;
Quantity : Thousand Kgs.

Sl. No.	Description of item	1975-76		1976-77		1977-78		1978-79	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
1.	Acetone	1	0.09	21	1.32	495	33.48	144	9.42
2.	2-Ethyl Hexanol	36	3.24	715	33.42	2689	120.84	3504	193.08
3.	Polyethylene resins and compounds (low density)	7376	311.93	8193	445.54	35287	1852.01	27742	1290.80
4.	Polyethylene resins and compounds (high density)	1512	84.04	3544	469.60	22997	1320.41	26178	1377.76
	P.V.C. (Resins and Compounds)	510	37.26	391	34.11	8381	410.61	6519	371.06