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Kalidaspur/Kalikapur, Chora Block, Jhanjra-I Mine, Ghusick, Pure Searsole, Damra.

Reservation for SC/ST in Madras Fertiliser

2972. SHRI THAZHAI M. KARU-NANITHI: SHRI K. B. S. MANI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS be pleased to state:

(a) is it a fact that Government of India orders providing reservation for SC/ST at the time of initial appointment, promotions and in confirmations stage are not being implemented from the date of issue of these orders in Madras Fertilizers;

(b) if so, why and when these orders will be implemented;

(c) if implemented, year-wise and cadre-wise, details from the date of issue of these orders;

(d) how many employees are working in the above Department and out of which how many SC/ST employees are among them year-wise and cadrewise details; and

(e) number of employees recruited from the date of opening of factory, cadre-wise and SC/ST among them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMI-CALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Madras Fertilizers Ltd. is a joint venture undertakwhich the Govt. of India, ing in AMCCO (a US company) and National Iranian Oil Company have equity participation in the ratio of 51:24.5: 24.5 respectively. The company has been formed in accordance with the

provisions of the Formation Agreement between Government of India and Amoco for establishment of a Fertilizer Plant at Madras. Presently, there is no provision in the Articles of Association of the Company for issue of a directive by the President. No directives have, therefore, been given to the company in regard to the reservation of posts for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes as have been given to other public sector companies.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

(d) and (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

New Fertilizer Plants

2973. SHRI AMARSINH V. RATHA-WA: Will the Minister of PETRO-LEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILI-ZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any programme to set up new fertilizer plants in the country during 1980-81;

(b) if so, the sites selected, the production capacity of the plants and the progress of constructing them;

(c) whether any target has been fixed when India will be self-sufficient in regard to fertilizers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMI-CALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b). Four large-sized fertilizer plants, two each at Thal Vaishet in Maharashtra and Hazira in Gujarat, are being set up based on the gas from Bombay High/ Bassein areas. Another fertilizer plant known as Namrup III based on the gas from the oil fields of ONGC and Oil