

**Wickless Stoves**

2989. SHRI KAMAL NATH:

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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore has developed a wickless stove with a 60 per cent thermal efficiency and long time flame per litre of kerosene;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to manufacture these stoves on a commercial basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ELECTRONICS AND ENVIRONMENT (SHRI C. P. N. SINGH): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. The Institute has claimed that the stove is not pressurised by pumping and is without smell during operation. Tests at the Institute indicate that the stove has a thermal efficiency of 60 per cent at normal cooking rate which is superior to existing wick stoves and compares well with pressure stoves. The manufacturing know-how has been passed on to a small scale firm. Further engineering development is under progress at the Institute.

**Third Wage Board for Sugar Industry**

2990. SHRI KAMAL NATH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question No. 553 on 19 August, 1981 regarding setting up of Third Wage Board for Sugar Industry and state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken in the matter; and

(b) if so, the salient feature of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA):

(a) Not yet, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Manufacturing of T V sets, Radios, and Tape Recorders by Electronics Industry**

2991. SHRI KAMAL NATH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether prices of T.V. Sets, radios and tape recorders can be reduced substantially if the electronics industry is permitted to manufacture these goods on a mass scale;

(b) if so, whether electronics industry has requested Government to permit import of components for the aforesaid items under open general licence; and

(c) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ELECTRONICS AND ENVIRONMENT (SHRI C. P. N. SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The request of the electronics industry is under examination.

**Paucity of experienced administrators**

2992. SHRI KAMAL NATH:

SHRI V. S. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been feeling a paucity of experienced administrators;

(b) if so, whether this is telling upon the quality of administration