Statement

Figures rounded to thousands of rupees

ITEM -	RETAIL PRICE IN DELHI AS ON						
	1.1.79	1.1.80	1,1.81	1.1.82	1,1,83	1,6.83	1.12.83
TRUCKS							
Ashok Leyland	121	1 S4	175	187	187	187	175
Tata	113	143	161	177	177	177	166
CARS							
Ambassador	38	51	58	74	74	74	74
Premier	39	51	63	69	71	74	72

"Pollution Control and Proper Utilisation of Industrial Waste''

4853. DR. PRATAP WAGH : Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the growth of Industry and the rise in population have aggravated the problem of urban waste and have become a nuisance in urban as well as rural areas;

(b) whether schemes have been prepared to utilise waste and convert it into bio-gas, electric power, fertilizers and similar things; and

(c) whether Government would consider this matter on a priority basis to control pollution and transform waste into wealth and the details in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINH) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Yes Sir, some scheme have been finalised.

(c) The Government are aware of the importance of this area and are taking appropriate measures.

Merger of Public Sector Undertakings

4854. DR. PRATAP WAGH : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering merging some public sector units with one another to make them more viable;

(b) the details of the units that are being considered for such mergers and the reason⁸ therefor; and

(c) whether any principles have been evolved in this matter and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA): (a) to (c) A Committee set up to recommend measures for improving Viability of some of the public sector undertakings of Department of Heavy Industry has submitted reports on some undertakings and in some cases, suggestions include merger. Government is yet to formulate proposals on these reports.