

The price of alcohol was revised with effect from 1-2-1971 on the basis of the recommendations of the Tariff Commission which had taken all relevant factors into account. The points made in the representations will be considered while reviewing the price.

The representations in regard to the reduction in the ceiling of surcharge on account of transport cost of molasses and abolition of the allowance on account of use of furnace oil are under examination.

**Decision on setting up a New Plant of D.D.T. or Expansion of B.H.C. Plant at Alwaye**

2771. SHRI R. P. ULAGANAMBI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any decision has been taken either to set up a new plant for manufacturing D.D.T. or to expand the capacity of B.H.C. plant at Alwaye; and

(b) if so, the nature thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Completion of work of Kalol-Nawagam Sector Pipe Line**

2772. SHRI R. P. ULAGANAMBI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the pipe line work on the Kalol-Nawagam sector has been completed according to schedule; and

(b) if so, whether it has been commissioned ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) and (b). Kalol-Nawagam sector of the Kalol Nawagam-Koyali Pipeline was commissioned on 28-8-71 after the main work on it was completed. The Commissioning of the Pipeline was delayed, partly due to

late receipt of imported seamless pipes and partly due to slow progress by the Contractor.

**Import of Sophisticated Equipment for Spudding the Well in Tripura**

2773. SHRI R. P. ULAGANAMBI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the sophisticated equipment for spudding the first well in the Tripura area has been imported according to the schedule; and

(b) if so, whether the first well has been spudded ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI P. C. SETHI) :

(a) No, Sir. The equipment was to be imported mainly from U. S. A. However because of Long-Shoremen's Strike in U. S. A. only a portion of items required to be imported from that country have been shipped so far, although orders were placed for all items by the first half of 1971. In regard to items not shipped as yet, efforts are being made to arrange diversion of despatch from East Coast of U. S. A. to West Coast ports where the Strike is reported to have been called off.

(b) No, Sir.

**Setting up Factory for Manufacture of Jeeps in Jabalpur**

2774. SHRI SHASHI BHUSHAN : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have set up a factory at Jabalpur to manufacture military jeeps and other vehicles;

(b) whether more than 5 crore rupees have already been spent on the construction of shed and officers' colony there; and

(c) whether the manufacture of jeeps has started there, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the production target and when the first jeep is likely to come out from this factory ?