

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI BEDARATA BARUA): (a) A Statement showing the names of undertakings registered under section 26 of the M.R.T.P. Act, 1969 upto 30th November, 1973 is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library See. No. LT-5970/73].

(b) The information is being collected and a Statement will be laid on the Table of the House.

New Railway lines in Dadra and Nagar Haveli Areas

4305. SHRI R. R. PATEL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Dadra and Nagar Haveli is a backward area in respect of Railways;

(b) whether there is any proposal to lay out new Railway line in that area; and

(c) if so, the broad outlines thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

Applications from persons in Dadra and Nagar Haveli for Cooking Gas Agencies

4306. SHRI R. R. PATEL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications received for Cooking Gas Agencies in Dadra and Nagar Haveli during the year 1972-73; and

(b) the number of applications still pending?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): (a) At present there are no arrangements for the sale of cooking gas in Dadra and Nagar Haveli.

(b) Does not arise in view of answer to (a) above.

Gas Agencies given in Dadra and Nagar Haveli

4307. SHRI R. R. PATEL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of domestic gas agencies given in the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli;

(b) whether Government are considering to sanction new agencies in that territory; and

(c) if so, on what criteria?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): (a) to (c). Indane is not being presently marketed in the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli.

The availability of liquified petroleum gas (LPG) and of the Cylinders for its distribution is limited. The steadily increasing availability of LPG and cylinders is therefore, being utilised on a planned basis, first to clear the existing demands in the cities where it has already been introduced and then in the areas where it is yet to be introduced on the basis of the size of the cities, the potential demand therein and other such factors. On this basis, Dadra and Nagar Haveli have not been included in the plans for the extension of Indane in the near future.