

Railway Zone	No. of Surveys
North Eastern	Five
Western	Six
Southern	Five
South Central	Two
Northeast Frontier	Five
Eastern	One

(b) Yes, subject to availability of funds.

Representation regarding difficulties in getting accommodation in trains for Jammu at Pathankot

3623. PROF NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the people of Himachal Pradesh and Northern Punjab have sent representations to the Railway Authorities regarding the difficulties faced by them in getting accommodation in trains for Jammu at Pathankot Railway Station; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the authorities in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Amount spent on Oil drilling at Sumer Talai in Jaisalmer district

3623. SHRI BIRENDER SINGH RAO:  
SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state that the amount spent by Government so far on drilling work at

Sumer Mali Talai in Jaisalmer district of Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): The amount spent on drilling work in Sumertalai area in Jaisalmer District of Rajasthan up to July 1974 is Rs. 161.10 lakhs.

Shortage of Diesel and Kerosene oil in Haryana and Punjab

3624. SHRI BIRENDER SINGH RAO:  
SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

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

(a) whether Government have received complaints about the acute shortage of diesel and kerosene oil in the States of Haryana and Punjab which is causing serious situation in agriculture and industry in the States; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to ease the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): (a) and (b). No report of HSD/Kerosene oil shortage has been received from Punjab and Haryana in the recent past. A 30 per cent cut has been imposed on the allocation of kerosene oil to all States from June, 1974 to curb the consumption. State Governments have been advised to make arrangements for supply of diesel oil for agricultural use on cards so that these demands can be met on priority. They have also been advised to initiate steps for economy in the use of diesel in the transport sector and cut down non-essential consumption.