

(b) C.I.F. price of crude Rutin mentioned in the import application dated 1-8-1974 of M/s. E. Merck (I) Pvt. Ltd. has been indicated at Rs. 124 per kg. Based on the statistics maintained by D.G.H.S. the average c.i.f. price of Rutin (Vitamin P) during the year 1973-74 works out to Rs. 142.80 per kg.

M/s. E. Merck (I) Pvt. Ltd. are licensed to manufacture Rutin based on the import of crude Rutin and as such import of raw Rutin is being permitted to this party. This party was, however, asked to explore the possibilities of producing Rutin from basic stages and submit phased programme in this regard. They have since submitted this programme.

**Running of trains without guards and Brake-vans after the Railway strike**

4807 SHRI R. P. YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether after the last strike the Divisional Authorities have started running the trains, specially goods trains without guards and brake vans:

(b) whether by doing so the divisional authorities are violating the "safety-rules"; and

(c) if so, whether any action is being contemplated against such authorities?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) Trains are not normally run without guards or brake vans. Under special instructions however, trains can be run without guards or brake vans in inescapable circumstances, which is permissible under the extant rules.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

**Shortage of Mutton Tallow for Soap Industry**

4808. SHRI BIRENDER SINGH  
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SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH  
MALIK:

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

(a) whether there is an acute shortage of mutton tallow in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the shortage is causing a serious set back to the soap industry in the country; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to remove the shortage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. R. GANESH): (a) to (c). In so far as the organised sector is concerned the question of shortage of mutton tallow does not arise as a decision has been taken that no further import of tallow for manufacturing the soap will be made. In regard to small scale sector, it has been decided that about 20,000 tonnes of tallow per annum may be imported for the present and the use of tallow phased out to eliminate import within the next two years. No shortage of mutton tallow for manufacturing the soap by small scale sector has been reported.

(d) Does not arise.

**Arbitration Award for reinstatement of certain employees of IDPL**

4809. SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Arbitration Award given by the Union Labour Minister regarding reinstatement of 12 employees of I.D.P.L., Rishikesh has not been accepted and implemented by the I.D.P.L. authorities;