

use of foreign brand names will not be permitted for the purpose of internal sales in the industrial licence granted to this company are being ascertained from that Ministry and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) Such action as may be necessary against them, in case it is found that they have violated the provisions of I(D&R) Act and flouted other conditions in respect of industrial licence granted for the manufacture of Trimethoprim and Sulphamethoxazole formulations, etc., will be taken.

Pollution of Ganga by Effluent from Barauni Refinery

8780. SHRI N E HORO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the continuing pollution of the Ganga by the effluent from the Barauni Refinery in Bihar; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken or have been taken by Government to prevent the pollution of the river?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI C P. MAJHI): (a) and (b). The refinery has taken adequate steps to treat the effluent, and the discharge into the river Ganga meets the prescribed standards.

Expenditure on Renovation of Sindri Fertilizer Plant

8781. SHRI N E HORO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure likely to be incurred by Government on renovation of the Sindri Fertilizer Plant; and

(b) the amount of foreign exchange involved therein?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI C P. MAJHI): (a) and (b). A Renovation programme costing about Rs 10.45 crores including a foreign exchange component of Rs. 3.21 crores has been planned in two phases. In addition, a Rationalisation programme (costing Rs. 39 crores) for production of 346,000 tonnes of triple superphosphate, and a Modernisation programme (costing about Rs. 89 crores) for production of 128,000 tonnes of nitrogen are concurrently under implementation.

Petrol Pumps in Punjab

8782. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state-

(a) whether existing petrol pumps are sufficient to meet Punjab requirements;

(b) whether any allotment of petrol pumps has been made to Punjab during 1974-75; and

(c) if so, particulars thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI C. P. MAJHI): (a) The existing network of retail outlets of all oil companies put together is adequate to meet the present requirements in Punjab. To cater to the growth in demand, Oil Companies have also been setting up new outlets in Punjab based on their commercial considerations.

(b) and (c). No allotment of petrol pumps is made by the Government. Retail outlets set up by the oil com-

panies in Punjab during 1974-75 are however, as below:

- (1) I. O. C. (1974-75) Raipura, Maur, Goniana, Mudki.
 Apart from these IOC also took over 10 outlets from Caltex during this period.
- (2) H. P. C. (1974-75) Chheharatta (Resitement case)
- (3) I. B. P. (1974-75) Patiala, Faridkot, Sirhind, Ahmedgarh, Dhakoli & Samrala.
- (4) Burma - Shell (1974) Malikpur.

Accidents at Unmanned Railway Crossings in Punjab during 1974-75

8783. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons killed and injured in accidents at unmanned railway crossings in Punjab during 1974-75 and the first quarter of 1975; and

(b) whether any measures are being taken for manning railway crossings in Punjab?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) Information about train accidents is not compiled State-wise but Railway-wise. On whole of the Northern Railway which serves seven states including Punjab, 32 persons were killed and 67 injured in the accidents which took place at unmanned level crossings during the period 1-4-74 to 31-3-75. During the period 1-1-75 to 31-3-75, seven persons were killed and 8 injured in such accidents.

(b) The level crossings, where road and rail traffic is heavy or visibility is restricted are being converted on a programmed basis into manned level crossings after obtaining approval of the State authorities. Six unmanned level crossings in Punjab State were manned during the year 1974-75.

Wagon Shortage in Punjab

8784. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state-

(a) whether there is any wagon shortage in Punjab State:

(b) if so, whether any action has been taken to meet the wagons demand in Punjab; and

(c) if so, facts thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) Wagon supply which is adequate, is not arranged on a State-wise basis. There is no shortage of wagons in Punjab.

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

पटना और गया के बीच यात्री गाड़ियों का बेरी से चलना

8785. श्री ईश्वर चौधरी : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या बिहार में पटना और गया के बीच चलने वाली यात्री गाड़ी की 3 घण्टे की बजाय 6 घण्टे लगते हैं जिसका मुख्य कारण स्थानीय जनता द्वारा रास्ते में 10-15 स्थानों पर जंजीर का खींचा जाना है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का इस बारे में कोई जांच करके इस प्रथा को रोकने के लिए कोई कार्यवाही करने का है ;