neers has been set up to  $\text{desig}_n$  and engineer certain jobs of the Koyali refinery being set up in the public sector with technical and financial assistance from the Soviet Union near Baroda; and

(b) if so, the particulars thereof?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Hamayun Kabir): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. A Design Organisation comprising of 7 Soviet specialists and 17 Indian engineers has been set up at Baroda to prepare working drawings for certain jobs like water supply, workshops and telecommunications etc. of Koyali Refinery.

## Central Government Employees' Consumer Cooperative Stores

\*522. Shri Vishram Prasad: Shri P. C. Borooah:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the number and locations of the Central Government Employees' Consumer Cooperative Stores opened in Delhi/New Delhi;

(b) whether there is a proposal to open more stores;

(c) how the prices of main consumers' items in these stores compare with general market rates; and

(d) whether employees working under Delhi Administration are also eligible to become members of the Stores?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shrimati Chandrasakhar): (a) One main store and four branches as indicated below:

Store	Location
Main Store .	Raisina Road opposite
Yojana Bhawan Store	Behind the Yojana Bhawan Building.
Sarojini Nagar Store I	
Sarojini Nagar Store I	I Flat No. B-245 Saro- jini Nagar.
Ramakrishnapuram Store.	Shops Nos. 20 to 23 Sector IV Market.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The general level of prices of main consumers' items in these stores is lower than in the market for goods of comparable quality. The weighment and measurement of articles sold by the stores are also guaranteed.

(d) This question is under consideration.

## Explosion<sub>S</sub> in Sindri Fertilizer Factory

\*523. { Shri P. C. Borooah:
\* Shri B. P. Yadava:
\* Shri Dhaon:
Shri Bishanchander Seth:
Shri G. Mohanty:

Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Chemicals** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a series of explosions occurred on or about the 21st October, 1963 in the Synthetic Ammonia section of the Sindri Fertilizer Factory:

(b) if so, the cause of the explosions; and

(c) the extent of damage suffered?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Hamayun Kabir): (a) Yes, Sir. There was one explosion followed by some minor explosions.

(b) The explosion was due to the failure of the high pressure gas line and sudden emergence of gas under pressure. The failure of the pipe was due to excessive erosion at the bend in the pipe.

(c) There was no damage to equipment or machinery and total financial loss is estimated to be Rs. 6.30 lakhs.

## University at Belur

\*524. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred