

STATEMENT II

Districts of Uttar Pradesh Where L.I.s /I.L.s have been issued to set up Sugar Mills during 1989-90 (upto July '90)

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>District</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Sector</i>
1	2	3	4
1.	Bulandshahr	1	Coop.
2.	Moradabad	1	Pvt.
3.	Siddharth Nagar	1	Pvt.
4.	Barabanki	1	Pvt.
5.	Sitapur	1	Pvt.

Nickel in Vanaspati Oil

270. SHRI MANDHATA SINGH:
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR
GANGWAR:
SHRI SANAT KUMAR MAN-
DAL:
SHRI Y.S. RAJA SHEKAR
REDDY:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) The actual amount of nickel used by the various Vanaspati Oil manufacturers as a catalyst in the process of hydrogenation of Vanaspati oil;

(b) whether the un-controlled use of nickel, which is a highly toxic metal and can cause cancer, has been found in very high concentration in the four leading brands of hydrogenated vegetable oil in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the actual consumption of this toxic

metal through vegetable oil alone and whether the consumption of nickel in vegetable oil has been noticed by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAMPUJAN PATEL): (a) The amount of nickel catalyst used by the vanaspati manufacturer varies from 0.02 to 0.05% of the oil.

(b) and (c). The nickel contents in four leading brands of hydrogenated vegetable oils were found to be in the range of 0.1.8. 8 ppm. However, no standard for Nickel content in vanaspati has so far been laid down.

(d) The actual consumption of nickel through vegetable oil alone is negligible.

[English]

Review of Family Planning Programme

271. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO. Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: