जाने की संभावना है ?

वाणिज्य मन्त्रालय में उपमंत्री(श्री पी०ए० संगमा) : (क) से (ग) इंजीनियरिंग निर्यात संवर्धन परिषद् ने 1983-84 वर्ष के लिए 1450 करोड रु॰ का निर्यात लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया है। इंजीनियरी नियातों के लिए अप्रैल-सितम्बर 1983 की अवधि के लिए अन्तिम निर्यात 490 करोड़ रु० होने का अनुमान है। चुंकि आमतौर पर निर्यात निष्पादन वर्ष की दूसरी छमाही में बेहतर है अत: ऐसी आशा है कि अक्तूबर 1983 से मार्च 1984 की अवधि के दौरान निष्पादन बेहतर होगा । तथापि. 1983-84 वर्ष के लिए लक्ष्य की तुलना में निर्यात निष्पादन में मामली सी कमी आ सकती है।

Delinking Prices of Indigenously produced Gold from London Metal Exchange

SHRI B. V. DESAI: the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether Union Government are considering a proposal to delink the prices of indigenously produced gold from the London Metal Exchange as a part of a new pricing policy for the scarce yellow metal;
- (b) whether Bharat Gold Mines limited and Hutti Gold Mines limited are proposed to be allowed to meet 50 percent of the domestic demand for industrial gold at the prevailing market prices;
- (c) whether balance production of these two companies and the entire gold produced by Hindustan Copper Limited will be taken over by the mint;
- (d) whether Government are considering to compensate these companies for the additional expenditure incurred

by them on deep mining operations with the proposed introduction of a threetier system; and

(e) to what extent proposals will help to check fluctuations in the prices of gold?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE (MINISTRY OF FINANCE SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO) : (a) and (d) Representations revising the persent formula for determining the price at which indigenously produced gold is acquired by the Government have been received and are being considered

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- . (c) Subject to budgetary provisions, the balance production of these two companies and the entire gold production by Hindustion Copper Limited is being taken over by the mint.
- (e) The proposals relate to revision of price in respect of gold to be acquired by the Government, and not to gold sold in the domestic market.

Bifurcation of L. I. C.

*259. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK:

> MOHD. ASRAR SHRI AHMAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether there is a proposal for bifurcation of the Life Insurance Corporation of India and to increase the number of General Insurance Companies;
 - if so, the details thereof:
- (c) when will this bifurcation take place; and
- (d) the details as to how the new