THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Ceiling on Drug Prices

9785. SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI NAV-INCHANDRA MEHTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any requests have been received to notify ceiling imposed on the prices of drugs in 1969; and
 - (b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURU-PADASWAMY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Unauthorised Vendors at Delhi Railway Stations

9786. SHRI TEJ NARAYAM SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply given on 4.8.89 to Unstarred Question No. 2601 regarding unauthorised sellers at Delhi and New Delhi Railway Stations and state:

- (a) whether Government have received complaints regarding unauthorised vendors/ Hawkers working at Delhi and New Delhi stations without licence under the shelter of police and railway staff;
 - (b) if so, the action taken thereon; and
 - (c) the details of unauthorised persons

apprehended so far by the special task force formed for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). To eradicate unauthorised vending by hawkers/vendors, the special task force consisting of railway commercial staff, RPF and GRP personnel conducted 197 checks at Delhi and New Delhi stations during the period April, 1989 to March, 1990. 780 persons were prosecuted out of which 124 were sent to jail and Rs. 94,103 were realised as fine.

Premature Termination of IRCON Contracts

9787. SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEO: SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Rail India Technical and Economic Services Ltd. (RITES) have sought compensation from Iraq for termination of one of its technical services contracts in that country prematurely;
- (b) if so, the reaction of that Government in the matter;
- (c) the details of other consultancy projects undertaken by the RITES in that country and in other Middle East and African countries at present; and
- (d) how it is proposed to be ensured that these contracts are not prematurely terminated and the payment for services rendered is paid as per terms of the relevant contracts?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.