

Explosive Plant at Korba

*585. SHRI SUKHENDRA SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an explosive Plant at Korba has been set up by Indo-Burma Petroleum Company Ltd. Balmer Lawrie Group; and

(b) if so, the details regarding the original target date for the commissioning of the plant and the policy of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA):

(a) and (b). The Indo-Burma Petroleum Company Limited has set up a plant to manufacture industrial explosives at Korba. The plant was initially expected to be commissioned in December, 1976 but was actually commissioned in December, 1977 due to delay in the procurement of certain imported goods and critical items and in the completion of civil works.

Restructuring of Fertilizer Corporation of India

*586. SHRI PRASANNBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM,

CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the organisational restructuring of the Fertilizer Corporation of India has raised some knotty problems;

(b) if so, whether in view of this the Ministry is contemplating revision of some earlier decisions taken on principles and economic considerations;

(c) if so, what are the reasons and how many decisions taken earlier are being reversed;

(d) the details of the steps now being considered to restructure the Fertilizer Corporation of India;

(e) when the same is likely to be completed; and

(f) to what extent it will help the Corporation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e). Government have reorganised the Fertilizer Corporation of India and the National Fertilizers Limited into the following five companies with effect from 1-4-1978:

Name of the Company	Units/Divisions
1 Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited.	Sindri (including Sindri Modernisation and Sindri Rationalisation), Gorakhpur, Talcher, Ramagundam and Korba.
2 National Fertilizers Ltd.	Nangal, Bhatinda and Panipat.
3 Hindustan Fertilizers Corporation Limited	Namrup, Haldia, Barauni and Durgapur.
4 Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Limited	All units of Trombay and the gas based plants in the south of Bombay.
5 Fertilizers (Planning & Development) India Ltd.	P&D Division of the FCI.