

(a) whether any estimates have been made of the future requirements of crude oil in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how Government propose to meet these requirements ?

PETROLEUM AUR RASAYAN MANTRI (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) and (b). The tentative estimates of future requirements of crude oil, estimated production in the country and the quantities to be imported during each of the years 1971 to 1974, are as under :

(Figures in million tonnes)

Year	Volume of estimated requirements	Estimated indigenous production	Estimated imports
1971	20.0	7.15	12.85
1972	20.9	7.8	13.1
1973	24.3	7.8	16.5
1974	26.5	8.8	17.7

(c) In view of the recent sharp increase in crude prices Government are examining ways of reducing consumption, and of diversifying sources of supply of imported crude, and stepping up exploration and production of indigenous crude.

Apprising the Friendly Nations about East Bengal Affairs

*14. **SHRI H. M. PATEL :**
SHRI S. M. BANERJEE :
SHRI SAMAR GUHA :

Will the VIDESH MANTRI be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of India established contacts with friendly countries in regard to developments in East Pakistan; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the various countries especially big powers in this regard ?

VIDESH MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) :
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Most foreign governments including the Big Powers have assured us that they are using their influence with the Government of Pakistan to stop the use of force and seek a political solution. Many of them are, however, reluctant to state their position publicly on this issue.

Establishment of Central Ayurvedic Research Institute in Kerala

*15. **SHRI M. K. KRISHNAN** : Will the **SWASTHYA AUR PARIVAR NIYOJAN MANTRI** be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to establish a Central Ayurvedic Research Institute in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) when the decision is likely to be taken; and

(d) If not, the reason therefor ?

NIRMAN AUR AWAS TATHA SWASTHYA AUR PARIVAR NIYOJAN MANTRI (SHRI UMA SHANKAR DIKSHIT) : (a) to (d). The Central Council for Research in Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy has decided to establish a Central Clinical Research Institute (Ayurved) in Kerala, the main aims of which are :

(i) to find out better, cheap and effective remedies for prevention and cure of various ailments.

(ii) to provide training to the technical personnel of the various research units functioning under the council.

(iii) to assess the effects of various classical methods of treatments like pancakarma, Agnikarma, Raktmoksana and Jalukar Avacharana.

The Institute will consist of Research Section, Hospital Section, Laboratory Section, Pharmacy Section and Administrative Section.

The building offered by the Government of Kerala in Charuthuruthy has been found to be suitable for locating this Institute.