

This gap is partly met by imports. The quantum of edible oil to be imported is decided by the Government from time to time, keeping in view the availability of indigenous edible oils, availability of foreign exchange and other related factors. It is too early to estimate the quantity to be imported during oil year 1986-87 (November-October).

(e) The allocation of imported edible oils to States under Public Distribution System is made on month to month basis keeping in view certain factors like prices of indigenous edible oils in the open market, availability of indigenous edible oils etc. Further responsibility for distribution to consumers is of the State Government.

The vanaspati industry is allocated imported edible oils on the basis of their average monthly production achieved during the preceding quarter 60% regular allocation at the rate of Rs. 11,500/-PMT and 20% commercial allocation @ Rs. 13,000/-PMT is being given to them on the basis of their production at present.

Launching of six series satellites

2949. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the schedule date of launching the six series satellites of the INSAT system;

(b) whether the launching of the six series satellite has been delayed;

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay; and

(d) the date when it is expected to be launched ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) There are no 'six series satellites' in the INSAT System.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Production of arms and ammunitions in private sector

2950. SHRI K. MOHANDAS : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to allow production of arms and ammunitions in private sector also; and

(b) the reason for the change in the policy with regard to the manufacture of arms ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND DEFENCE SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Parliament Session in South

2951. SHRI M. RAGHUMA REDDY : SHRI MANIK REDDY :

Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that for several decades there has been a demand to hold a Session of Parliament in South;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to consider the matter afresh; and

(c) what are the difficulties in the way of holding such a Session in South ?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) At present, the Government is not thinking of holding any Parliament Session outside Delhi.