

February, 1978 has been received; and

(b) if so, issues raised thereby and the steps Government propose to take on them?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Association desired to have a single channel of promotion both for degree and non-degree holders who are doing similar work in the Fertilizer Corporation of India. The matter is under consideration of the F.C.I.

#### Gas connection in Delhi

3685. SHRI BEGA RAM CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that even after five years of registration with various cooking gas agencies in the Union Territory of Delhi, the needy people have not been provided with gas connection;

(b) the total number of people who got registration during the year 1973-74 but still have not been provided the same; and

(c) the reasons thereto and the time by which they will be provided with the same?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) to (c). The waiting period for getting gas connections varies from place to place and from distributor to distributor within Delhi. Out of 44 Indane distributors operating in Delhi, only 13 distributors have waiting lists for gas connections which are more than 5 years old. It is not possible to indicate the figures in respect of the number of people who had applied for cooking gas connections

during the year 1973-74 and, out of them, how many have been actually provided gas connections since the booking records are kept by the distributors in continuous series and as no separate year-wise statistical data are maintained by the oil companies. Currently, the demand for cooking gas is far in excess of the availability of the product. The supply of LPG is limited and not sufficient to meet the demand. Substantial improvement in the supply of LPG and enrolment of customers for cooking gas will be possible only after the availability of the product improves substantially around the year 1980.

#### नैमित्तिक श्रमिकों की सेवा की शर्तें

3686. श्री सुबेन्द्र मिश्र : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भारतीय रेल प्रतिष्ठान महिला में नैमित्तिक श्रमिकों की सेवा की शर्तों के बारे में कोई व्यवस्था है; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उमका व्यौरा क्या है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री शिव नारायण) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

#### रेलवे परिवार कल्याण कर्मचारी

3688. श्री हरमोहिन्द वर्मा : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या रेलवे परिवार कल्याण कर्मचारियों का दर्जा अन्य रेल कर्मचारियों की तुलना में नीकरियों में वरिष्ठता और स्थायित्व के मामले में नीचा है ; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री शिव नारायण) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न ही उठता ।