

है। सम्भवतः माननीय सदस्य इसी स्टेशन का उल्लेख कर रहे हैं।

गया जंक्शन और जहानाबाद स्टेशन पर अस्थायी आधार पर, रेलवे की भूमि के निम्नलिखित प्लॉट वायसेस पर किये गये हैं। इन वायसेसों का नवीकरण प्रति वर्ष किया जाता है। इन प्लॉटों में से किसी पर गोदाम का निर्माण नहीं किया गया है।

**गया जंक्शन :**

- (1) 175' X 70' क्षेत्रफल का पेट्रोल पम्प एक प्लॉट—भारतीय तेल स्थापित करने के लिए अस्था- निगम को। के लिए अस्था- हार गृह के लिए
- (2) 20' X 30' क्षेत्रफल का एक-एक प्लॉट—श्री रमेश कुमार और श्री विनोद कुमार को।

**जहानाबाद स्टेशन :**

150' X 100' क्षेत्रफल का एक प्लॉट—भारतीय तेल निगम को।

(ग) गया या जहानाबाद स्टेशन पर, इस समय भूमि अधिग्रहण का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है। इसलिए इन स्टेशनों पर वायसेसों को रद्द करने का प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

### **Import of high grade Polystyrene**

1292. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether All India Plastics manufacturers have urged Government to allow the import of high impact grade polystyrene; and

(b) if so, the decision of Government thereon?

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

(b) The demand, the availability and the gap to be filled by imports of polystyrene is under review and a final decision is expected to be taken shortly.

### **Indian Railway Expertise for Foreign Countries**

1295. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is collaborating with a number of foreign countries for laying of railway lines and manufacture of rail equipment and, if so, the names of those countries; and

(b) what is the nature of expertise and technical assistance the Indian Railway Engineers are offering to those countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) and (b). Indian Railways have offered to share their technical know-how in the railway sector with other developing countries who are planning to develop their respective railway systems. Rail India Technical and Economic Services Ltd. (RITES) and the Indian Railway Construction Co. Ltd. (IRCON), two public sector undertakings, have been set up under the Ministry of Railways, the former to provide consultancy services in various spheres of railway technology and management and the latter to undertake the construction of major railway projects abroad. The names of the various countries where assignments have either been completed already or are in progress are Iran, Syria, Ghana, Malaysia, Bangladesh, Zaire, Philippines and Nigeria. A few assignments have been secured in India also.

### **Review of Inventory Control Procedures**

1296. SHRI G. M. BANATWALLA: SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE ALLURI:

DR. SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to lay a statement showing:

(a) whether a special committee which was set up sometimes back for reviewing the inventory control procedures and streamlining the working of Railways has since submitted its report, if so, what were its recommendations; and

(b) progress, so far, made in regard to the implementation of the recommendations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) and (b). A Committee was set up in 1973 to review the working of Stores Organisation of the Railways. The Committee on Inventory Management thus set up submitted two reports with 115 recommendations on the following aspects:—

- (i) Procurement of Stores.
- (ii) Payment of Suppliers' Bills.
- (iii) Disposal of Surplus Stores and Scrap.
- (iv) Materials Management in Production Units.
- (v) System to check thefts and pilferages in Stores Depots.
- (vi) Quality Control of spare parts.
- (vii) Import of spare parts for Rolling Stock.
- (viii) Setting up of Ancillary Industries around Railway Production Units.
- (ix) Materials Management Organisation.
- (x) General.

2. All the recommendations have been accepted and 108 recommendations have already been implemented. The rest of the recommendations are at various stages of processing.

#### Well Drilling in West Bengal

1297. SHRIMATI AHILYA P. RANGNEKAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that wherever any well is started in West Bengal for deep drilling i.e. beyond 4,000 metres, there is invariably

some accident in the well and the drilling programme is upset, but no such mishap happens when the well in question is shallow which foils the extraction of crude oil in West Bengal; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) So far only one well viz. Bodra has been drilled by the ONGC beyond 4,000 metres in West Bengal which was projected to 5,000 mts, but was terminated at a depth of 4,193 metres due to down hole complications. However all the interesting horizons above the terminal depth were tested for hydrocarbons. The other well at Diamond Harbour projected to a depth of 5,500 metres is presently under drilling. There is no study to indicate that crude oil occurs only beyond 4,000 metres of depth in West Bengal.

(b). Complications arise during drilling due to many reasons, particularly mechanical failure of equipment and material. There are methods to liquidate the complications which are applied depending upon the situations. While it is easier to liquidate the complications in shallow wells, it is not so easy when the wells are very deep. Therefore, often the liquidation of complications in deep wells take long time and sometimes it is considered not worth pursuing the liquidation job further for technical reasons.

#### Accidents in Well Drilling

1298. SHRIMATI AHILYA P. RANGNEKAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state the number of accidents in well drilling which have upset the drilling programme during the last three years; State-wise and names of the places?