

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : (a) and (b). The information has been called for and will be placed on the Table of the House when received.

Stores and Workshop Division of Manipur P.W.D.

6666 SHRI N. TOMBI SINGH Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Manipur is examining the issue of making the Stores and Workshop Division of the Manipur, P.W.D. a specialised one in view of the highly technical character of the same, and

(b) if so when a decision is likely to be taken ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : (a) The Stores and Workshop Division of the Manipur P.W.D. is already a specialised Division under the charge of a qualified Mechanical Engineer

(b) Does not arise.

Irregularities in Stores and Workshop Division of Manipur P.W.D.

6667. SHRI N. TOMBI SINGH : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state

(a) whether the attention of Government of Manipur has been drawn to the fact that during the last few years serious irregularities occurred in Stores and Workshop Division of P.W.D. Manipur, and

(b) whether these irregularities have been adequately probed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) These irregularities are being probed.

उत्तर प्रदेश-नेपाल सीमा पर सिद्धार्थ राज मार्ग का निर्माण

6668. श्री नागेश्वर द्विवेदी : क्या निर्माण और आवास मन्त्री यह बनाने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उत्तर प्रदेश की पश्चिमी सीमा को काठमाण्डू (नेपाल) से मिलाने के लिये किसी सिद्धार्थ राज मार्ग के निर्माण का प्रस्ताव है ; और

(ख) यदि हा, तो उम पर कितना व्यय होने की सम्भावना है ?

निर्माण और आवास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री आई० के० गुजराल) (क) और (ख). भारत-नेपाल सीमा पर मुन्शी (जिला गोरखपुर, उत्तर प्रदेश) को नेपाल में पोखडा से मिलाने वाली सड़क का नाम सिद्धार्थ राज-मार्ग है। परियोजना पूरी होने वाली है तथा इसका अनुमानित लागत लगभग 15 करोड़ रुपये है।

Advanced Centre of Haematology for Treatment of Blood Diseases

6669. SHRIMATI MUKUL BANERJEE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any Advanced Centre of Haematology for the treatment of patients suffering from complicated blood diseases ; and

(b) if so, whether such Centre is appropriately equipped for (i) functioning as Referral Centre for receiving patients from far and outlying areas of the country, and (ii) imparting necessary specialised training for the doctors of the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAY) : (a) The Department of Haematology and Nuclear Medicine of Safdarjung

Hospital is one of the advanced centres of Haematology for the treatment of patients suffering from complicated blood diseases.

(b) The Department is well equipped with facilities for clinical, laboratory and nuclear haematology for comprehensive care of the haematological patients. This Department has a modern and sophisticated equipment system, including electronic instrumentation for diagnosis and treatment with radioactive isotopes.

The Department is at present engaged in imparting post-graduate training in Haematology to the doctors employed in Safdarjang Hospital only.

Other specialised haematological centres are at the School of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta, K.E.M. Hospital, Bombay, and the Christian Medical College, Vellore.

Setting up of Research Laboratory by Indian Oil Corporation

6670. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Oil Corporation has been permitted to set up its own Research Laboratory in the field of lubricating oils ;

(b) if so, the estimated expenditure of the project ;

(c) whether the proposed research work could be done at less cost by the Indian Institute of Petroleum, Dehra Dun ; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to avoid unnecessary duplication of research work by Indian Oil Corporation and the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) to (d). All the aspects connected with the proposal of the Indian Oil Corporation to set up its Research and Development Centre, including the respective spheres of functions and responsibilities of the Indian Institute of Petroleum, Dehra Dun, and the proposed Research Centre of the Indian Oil Corporation, are under consideration, and no final decision has been taken.

Price of Imported Rostam Crude Oil

6671. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state the price at which Rostam crude has been imported during the last three years, year-wise, from Iran for the Cochin Refinery ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : It is not in the commercial interest of Hydrocarbons India Private Limited to disclose the price of Rostam Crude. Only two cargoes were imported of Rostam Crude in India. The price was comparable with other crude prices.

Setting up of Ammonia Factory by Iran in India under Joint Venture

6672. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether an official delegation from Tehran recently visited India ;

(b) if so, whether that delegation has had talks with Government of India for joint venture for the production of ammonia in this country ; and

(c) if so, the result achieved ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI P. C. SETHI) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Request for Loan from Central Government by Housing Corporation of India (Private) Ltd.

6673. SHRI MALLIKARJUN : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Managing Director of the Housing Corporation of India (Private) Ltd. located in Himayatnagar in Andhra Pradesh has recently shifted his headquarters to Delhi and approached the Central Government for a loan of Rs. 2 crores ; and

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