

**Setting up of a Chemical Plant in Haldia by M/s Hindustan Levers Limited**

2070. SHRI TUNA ORAON: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether M/s. Hindustan Levers has been granted a licence for setting up a Chemical Plant in Haldia; and

(b) if so, the progress made in this regard and the broad outlines of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. R. GANESH): (a) and (b). M/s. Hindustan Lever Ltd., have been issued two letters of intent and not industrial licence for setting up new units at Haldia for the manufacture of the undermentioned items for the capacities shown against each.

S. No.	Item of manufacture	Capacity
		tonnes/year
1.	Caustic Soda	33,000
2.	Sodium Tripolyphosphate	30,000
	Sulphuric Acid	54,000
	Phosphoric Acid	19,000
	} For captive use in the manufacture of STPP.	

The Calcutta Port Commissioners have made a provisional allotment of 200 acres of land at Haldia for these projects. Proposals for import of capital goods and foreign collaboration if any, are awaited from the party.

**Crisis faced by Drugs and Pharmaceutical firms of West Bengal**

2071. SHRI TUNA ORAON: Will the MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether drugs and pharmaceutical firms located in West Bengal were facing a crisis;

(b) if so, whether these firms approached the Central Government for assistance; and

(c) if so, the names of the firms who have approached Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. R. GANESH): (a) to (c). All India Manufacturers Organisation has submitted a memorandum to the Committee on Drugs and Pharmaceutical Industry highlighting the problems like supply of raw materials, shortage of electric power and gas, financial constraints need for establishment of basic chemicals infrastructure etc. relating to drug units in the Eastern Region. The Committee is expected to submit its report by April, 1978.

In addition complaints/requests for assistance in the nature of shortage of raw materials, financial difficulties, uneconomical production, power shortage etc. have also been received from certain units.

**छोटे स्टेशनों पर शेडों के निर्माण की योजना**

2072. श्री गंगा चरण दीक्षित : क्या रेल बंधो यह बनाने की क़ा करेगी कि

(क) क्या निकट भविष्य में छोटे रेलवे स्टेशनों पर शेड बनाने की सरकार की कोई योजना है ;

(ख) क्या मध्य रेलवे में मुवाविल ग्रीन इशामी के बीच के छोटे रेलवे स्टेशनों पर अधिक से अधिक छायादार पेड़ लगाने की भी सरकार की कोई योजना है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो ये योजनाएँ कब तक क्रियान्वित कर दी जाएँगी और उन पर कितनी प्रत्याशि खर्च होने की सम्भावना है ?