

Production of Streptomycin and Penicillin

1226. { Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
Dr. P. N. Khan:
Shri M. L. Dwivedi:

Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a huge shortfall in the production of streptomycin and Penicillin in the Hindustan

Antibiotics Factory at Pimpri in the year 1964-65 and thereafter;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether there is any loss due to this shortfall?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) to (c). The original targets, actual production and the causes for not achieving the production target in 1964-65 are shown in the following table:

Penicillin		Streptomycin Salts		Reasons for shortfall in production.
Target production	Actual production	Target production	Actual production	
(MMU)	(MMU)	(Kg.)	(Kg.)	
60·90	53·29	‡ 38,000	‡ 37,562	Due to shortage of raw material, clarity problem and labour unrest.

Teachers' Training Institutes

1217. { Shri P. C. Borooh:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri P. R. Chakraverti:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a scheme for setting up a number of Teachers' Training Institutes; and

(b) if so, the number thereof and their locations?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) and (b). Four Regional Colleges of Education have already been set up at Mysore, Bhubaneswar, Bhopal and Ajmer. The proposal under consideration for the Fourth Five-Year Plan is to expand these Regional Colleges for larger admissions and also to diversify their courses of training. Further, it is proposed to upgrade and develop selected State Colleges of Education and University centres for the training of teachers.

Impact of Anti-Price rise Movement

1218. Shrimati Savitri Nigam: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the impact of the anti-price rise movement launched by the people in the country; and

(b) the steps taken by Government during the last three months in this regard?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri L. N. Mishra): (a) and (b). It is difficult to assess the impact of the anti-price rise movement, as the price-trends and availability of supplies depend on complicated economic factors. Government have been adopting suitable measures to ensure supplies, orderly distribution and regulation of prices, as also to proceed against profiteers and black-marketeters under the Essential Commodities Act and the Defence of India Rules.