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4.	Punjab	15
5.	Rajasthan	29
6	Uttar Pradesh	87
7	Arunachal Pradesh	01
8	Assam	04
9	Bihar	39
10	Meghalaya	02
11	Mizoram	02
12	Orissa	17
13	Sikkim	01
14	West Bengal	53
15	Daman & Diu	01
16	Gujarat	07
17	Madhya Pradesh	42
18	Maharashtra	34
19	Andaman & Nicobar	04
20	Andhra Pradesh	49
21	Karnataka	22
22	Kerala	07
23	Tamil Nadu	07
Total		435

Urea Scam

914. SHRI THAWAR CHAND GEHLOT : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal for out of court settlement from Karsan, the Turkish firm involved in fertiliser supply scam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government or National Fertilizer Limited on the proposal received from Turkish firm Karson Limited upto April 1998?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. A.K. PATEL) : (a) to (c) The implications of a proposal for out of court

settlement received from the counsel of M/s Karsan Limited are being studied. The earlier proposals made on behalf of M/s Karsan Limited have been rejected.

Leakage of Gases in Mandla District

915 SHRI DADA BABURAO PARANJPE : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Narmada Vally region in Madhya Pradesh was hit by a disastrous earthquake on May 22, 1997 and the land of the area developed major cracks :

(b) if so, whether gases leaked out from cracks in some places of Mandla district were tested :

(c) if so, the locations thereof and nature of gases leaked :

(d) whether the Government have any plan to exploit the gases emanating from those cracks: and

(e) if so, the details thereof, and the mode of its exploitation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) As reported by the State Government of Madhya Pradesh, gas leaked from some cracks in Kileghat in Mandala town and Kondra village in Was Tehsil. Accordingly, an investigation was carried out by ONGC team Geoscientists on the alleged gas show from Narmada river bed in Mandala district. The gas show was of biogenic origin and has no relevance from the point of view of hydrocarbon exploration.

(d) and (c) Do not arise in view of the above.

[English]

National Consumer Co-operative Federation

916. DR. BIZAY SONKAR SHASTRI : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether National Consumer Cooperative Federation is making purchases of electrical items from persons who are neither manufacturer nor authorised dealers/distributor.

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to discontinue the purchase from the unauthorised dealers :

(c) the details of the comparative chart indicating the rates and sources from where electrical items were purchased and the rates at which sold during each of the last three years and :

(d) the steps taken to improve the working of NCCF?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYAPAL SINGH YADAV) : (a) and (b) The NCCF has informed that they purchase electrical items from manufacturers/distributor/dealers as far as possible. However, in some cases where the manufacturers/distributors/dealers do not supply such items on credit basis, purchases are made from the suppliers registered with the NCCF, who supplies electrical items on mutual agreed terms/deferred payment basis.

(c) The comparative chart indicating the rates and sources from where electrical items were purchased and the rates at which sold during each of the last three years is not available. However, the list of suppliers of electrical goods registered at Head Office/Delhi Branch of the NCCF is enclosed.

(d) The NCCF has taken a number of steps such as introduction of Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS), closure of some of uneconomical branches and introduction of new lines of business etc. to improve the working of the NCCF.

Statement

List of the Registered Suppliers for purchase of Electrical Goods for onward supply to the Government Departments through N.C.C.F.

S.No.	Name of the Supplier	Status
1	2	3
(A) HEAD OFFICE		
1.	M/s. Beekay Enterprises, New Delhi	Manufacturer
(B) DELHI BRANCH		
1.	M/s. Technico Regd.	Manufacturer
2.	M/s. Recordex Office System	Manufacturer
3.	M/s. Shivalik Enterprises	Manufacturer
4.	M/s. Shiva Electricals	Dealer
5.	M/s. Vijay Stationery Mart	Supplier
6.	M/s. Glorious Marketing	Supplier
7.	M/s. Chadda Stationers	Supplier
8.	M/s. Crescent Typewriter Co.	Supplier

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9.	M/s. Badri Vishal Trading Co.	Supplier
10.	M/s. R.K. Enterprises	Supplier
11.	M/s. Jai Brothers	Supplier
12.	M/s. Melody Home	Supplier
13.	M/s. S.P. Uppal & Co.	Supplier
14.	M/s. Santosh Sales Agency	Supplier
15.	M/s. R.K. Traders	Supplier
16.	M/s. Kay Eee Enterprises	Supplier
17.	M/s. Nath & Co.	Supplier
18.	M/s. Taneja Enterprises	Supplier
19.	M/s. Sinha Sales Corporation	Supplier
20.	M/s. G.N.D. Marketing	Supplier
21.	M/s. Pridarshini Enterprises	Supplier
22.	M/s. U.K. Trade Links	Supplier

Assistance for Eradication of Malaria

917. SHRI S. S. OWAISI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to states :

(a) whether the Government provided any Central Assistance to the Municipal Corporation of each State for eradication of malaria;

(b) if so, the funds provided during each of the last three years, corporation-wise;

(c) whether some corporations have shown poor performance on this account; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Central Assistance in the form of the insecticides/larvicides and anti-malarial drugs, provided to the Municipal Corporations of the States, and the cost of the material during the last three years is given in the enclosed Statement.

(c) and (d) Increase in the incidence of Malaria in the Corporations of the three Metropolitan Cities of Calcutta, New Bombay and Chennai during the last three years have been noticed. The rise in the incidence of Malaria is attributable to change in the transmission dynamics of the vectors associated with rapid urbanisation, large scale and extensive construction activities, inadequate water management system, unplanned settlements and transmigration of labour etc.