

(ख) यदि हां, तो उस की मुख्य बातें क्या हैं तथा सरकार ने उन पर क्या नियम किया है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) यह सवाल पैदा ही नहीं होता ।

#### Plan Priorities

\*667. **Shri S. R. Damani:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether a re-appraisal of Plan priorities is contemplated; and

(b) if so, the guide-lines for such re-appraisal?

**The Minister of Planning, Petroleum and Chemicals and Social Welfare (Shri Asoka Mehta):** (a) and (b). The Plan Outlay is proposed to be revised in the light of the changes that have taken place in the economic situation since the Draft Outline of the Fourth Plan was published. While some re-adjustment in the scheme of priorities is inevitable and the sectoral outlays may also be altered in the light of the current economic situation, the high priority accorded to Agricultural production, family planning, import substitution and production of export commodities is likely to remain unchanged.

#### Prices of Drugs

\*668. **Shri Kedar Paswan:**  
**Shri Madhu Limaye:**

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

(a) whether any orders seeking to control/fix prices of essential and commonly used drugs have been issued by Government during the last three years;

(b) whether these orders have been enforced;

(c) the effect of this on the behaviour of actual prices of drugs;

(d) whether Government propose to nationalise the drugs and pharmaceutical industries in view of the enormous profits made by them; and

(e) whether Government itself propose to reduce prices of antibiotics and other drugs manufactured in the public sector?

**The Minister of Planning, Petroleum and Chemicals, and Social Welfare (Shri Asoka Mehta):** (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) The prices of drugs and medicines have by and large remained steady.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) No such proposal is at present under Government's consideration.

#### Sindri Fertilizer Factory

\*669. **Shri Baburao Patel:** Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that workers of the Sindri Fertilizer Factory placed a "Gherao" for three hours around the administrative building, manhandled the General Manager and beat up policemen and Security Officers on the 2nd May, 1967; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to grant protection to officers and staff of the management against such violent demonstrations by labour in the public sector undertakings?

**The Minister of Planning, Petroleum and Chemicals and Social Welfare (Shri Asoka Mehta):** (a) Yes, there was a "Gherao" as stated. But policemen and Security Officers were not beaten. The General Manager of the Planning Division of the Fertilizer Corporation of India and not the General Manager of the Sindri Unit was manhandled.