RAJYA SABHA [22 February, 2001]

Length of the corridor would vary depending on the port of origin and destination.

CNG Buses in Delhi

208. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether CNG buses are being introduced in the National Capital Territory of Delhi to reduce pollution;

(b) whether CNG is harmful fdr health;

(c) whether drivers and passengers may be victims of paralysis and cancer like diseases;

(d) whether any expert opinion was taken before placing orders for manufacturing of CNG buses; .

(e) if so, the details of their opinion; and

(f) whether the matter regarding CNG buses is also in litigation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI.: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Emissions from CNG vehicles are comparatively less harmful lor health than diesel and petrol vehicles.

- (c) No, such case has been reported so far.
- (d) No, Sir.
- (e) Docs not arise.
- (f) Yes, Sir.