

(b) The major contributors of air pollution in Delhi are the two and three wheeler population of vehicles. Prosecutions are launched against polluting vehicles by the Transport Department of the Government of NCT of Delhi.

(c) The Transport Department of the Government of NCT of Delhi has checked about 49.35 lakh petrol and diesel-driven vehicles during the period between March 1990 and May 1996. A total of 55,883 vehicles have been prosecuted between April 1990 and May 1996 for violation of pollution control laws. In addition, Certificates of Fitness/Pollution Under Control certificates have been cancelled for 1,38,375 vehicles during this period.

Percentage of increase in subsidy on fertilizers

1981. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) total break-up of subsidy concession announced by Government on different varieties of fertilizers;

(b) what is the percentage of increase in subsidy on fertilizers due to new rates; and

(c) what is the percentage of subsidy on fertilizers at present as compared to total budget?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) The rate of concession on different phosphatic and potassic fertilizers and the percentage increase is indicated below:

Product	(Rs. per tonne) Rate of concession		
	upto 5.7.96	from 6.7.96	% increase
1) indigenous Di-Ammonium Phosphate	1000/-	3000/-	200%
2) Imported Di-Ammonium Phosphate		1500/-	1500%
3) Muriazte of Potash	1000/-	1500/-	50%
4) Single Super Phosphate	340/-	500/-	47%
5) Indigenous Complexes	435- 999/-	1304- 2633/-	135- 200%

(e): The budget for payment of concession during 1996-97 constitutes 59% of the total budget of the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation.

Grant of Recognition to Minority Institutions

1982. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the steps being taken

by Government to remove the difficulties being faced by the minorities in getting recognition to the minority institutions from different State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RE-

SOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): The Government had prepared Policy Norms and Principles for recognition of Minority managed education institutions (other than those meant exclusively for imparting religious instructions) and commended them to all the State Governments and U.T. Administrations in October, 1989.

Taxing of Enhanced Subsidy on Decontrolled fertilizers

1983. **PROF. NAUNIHAL SINGH:** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Governments have decided to tax the enhanced subsidy on decontrolled fertilizers; if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the States have also decided to have the new DAP prices on last year's input costs despite a steep hike in the prices of raw materials like Naptha and Ammonia, leading to heavy losses for the DAP industry; if so, what are the reactions of Government in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that certain States are levying a tax on the Rs. 3000 per tonne subsidy being received by DAP manufacturers; if so, names of the State governments and whether any action is proposed by Government against them; and

(d) whether the tax to be collected ranges from 2.3 per cent in Kamataka to 6 per cent in Bihar; and if so, the reasons for this abnormal difference?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) to (c) No specific report has been received regarding levy to tax by the States on the concession component of decontrolled fertilizers. However, it has been brought to the notice of the Central Government that Kamataka has imposed tax on the amount of concession. The Central Govt, have asked the

State to abolish the taxes on fertilizers, so that farmers derive the entire benefit of concession.

The price of DAP is not statutorily regulated. The State Govts, have been asked to negotiate the price directly with the concerned manufacturers, after taking into account all relevant factors.

(d) Levying of tax is a State subject and is a source of revenue to the State Governments. As per information available, the Sales Tax on fertilizers ranges from 1 per cent in Goa and Pondicherry to 7 per cent in Gujarat.

Proposed route of Jaipur-Madras Train

1984. **DR. SHRIKANT RAM-CHANDRA JICHKAR :** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be please to state:

(a) what is the route planned for the proposed Jaipur- Madras train which has been announced during the recent Railway budget presentation;

(b) whether this train will stop at Nagpur; and

(c) what are the other new trains which are proposed to pass through Nagpur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Jaipur-Madras Express (Weekly) is proposed to run via Kota-Nagda-Ujjain-Bhopal-Nagpur-Vijayawada.

(b) Yes. Sir

(c) There is no proposal for other new trains via Nagpur at present. However, frequency of 6043/6044 Patna-Madras Central Express via Nagpur will be increased from weekly to bi-weekly, 8403/8404 Puri-Ahmadabad Express (via Nagpur) from weekly to tri-weekly, and that of 2429/2430 Nizamuddin-Secunderabad-Bangalore Rajdhani Express from weekly to bi-weekly, besides Electric push pull services are also proposed on Nagpur-Badnera section during 1996-97.