

converted to petrol/CNG bifuel operation. GAIL is currently importing conversion kits and CNG storage cylinders.

(c) No, Sir

(d) Does not arise.

#### Transfer of Excess Gas from Bombay High to Southern States

353. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposal of laying the pipeline to transfer the excess gas from Bombay High to the Southern States pending with Government for a long time, if so the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that natural gas worth Rs. 1000 crores is continuously being burnt or flared each year?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) An Inter-ministerial Group had been constituted to examine the techno-economic feasibility of transporting natural gas from Western Offshore to Southern States. The report of the Group has been examined by the

Government and the concept of a pipeline to the Southern Region has been approved in principle.

(b) No, Sir

#### Shortage of Kerosene in Karnataka

354. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is an acute shortage of kerosene in Karnataka and if so, whether Government propose to allot required quantity of kerosene specially for rural areas at the earliest; and

(b) what is the released of kerosene in the country in relation to population during the last three years and reasons for imbalances, if any, in allocations state-wise?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) Kerosene is a deficit product in the country and the allocations to the States are made on historical basis. Year-wise allocations are given in the attached statement..

#### Statement

*SKO allocation to the States/Us for the Years 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92*

States	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
<b>Northern Region</b>			
Haryana	144670	152631	150777
Himachal Pradesh	36888	36654	35095
Jammu & Kashmir	66317	67611	66567
Punjab	305791	324769	318794
Rajasthan	255184	268636	264758
Uttar Pradesh	893957	912026	905891
Chandigarh	20053	20920	20113
Delhi	228641	240106	238171

States	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
<b>Eastern Region</b>			
Assam	241861	247987	239339
Bihar	463463	469753	468617
Manipur	20795	20760	19442
Meghalaya	15817	15391	15172
Nagaland	9967	10205	9724
Orissa	152355	155951	151344
Sikkim	7310	10120	5938
Tripura	21483	20793	19264
West Bengal	710848	740675	716611
Arunachal Pradesh	10122	10876	8890
Mizoram	6642	7198	5744
Andaman & Nicobar	4063	2539	3568
<b>Western Region</b>			
Gujarat	747788	781245	780927
Maharashtra	1450910	1485776	1480045
Goa	26013	27209	26494
Diu/Daman/DNH	5891	6057	5946
Madhya Pradesh	367818	382609	380502
<b>Southern Region</b>			
Andhra Pradesh	561138	586215	563921
Karnataka	428684	444582	430195
Kerala	255639	265075	257223
Tamil Nadu	634901	656305	640000
Pondicherry	14339	14581	13638
Lakshadweep	837	875	873
<b>All India Total</b>	<b>8110185</b>	<b>8386130</b>	<b>8243583</b>

### राजस्थान में पेट्रोलियम की कमी

355. श्री शिवचरण सिंह: क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत वर्ष के दौरान तथा चालू वर्ष में अभी तक राजस्थान को डीजल, पेट्रोल तथा मिट्टी के तेल की कितनी-कितनी मात्रा का आवंटन किया गया;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि संपूर्ण राज्य में डीजल

तथा मिट्टी के तेल की अत्यधिक कमी है, यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) क्या इस कमी का कारण देश में तेल की तंगी है अथवा प्रशासनिक अक्षमता और क्या इस कमी को अतिशीघ्र पूरा किया जाएगा; यदि हां, तो कब तक?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री बी० शंकरानन्द): (क) से (ग) यद्यपि डीजल और पेट्रोल का कोई रण्यवार आवंटन नहीं किया जाता है