

duction and sale of a Cola-spiked with rum in carry home cane, with the obvious intention of popularising and promoting consumption of alcohol, has come to Government's notice;

(b) if so, what is Government's policy in regard to permitting and promoting such consumption of liquor; and

(c) whether Government have given permission to these above mentioned proposals, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) No such proposal has been received.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Crisis in fertilizer industry

2280. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the fertilizer industry is in a serious difficulty because of intermittent stoppage of subsidy payments and also denial of escalation claims;

(b) whether the Fertilizer Association of India has suggested some remedies for the situation; and

(c) if so, what is the reaction of Government to these suggestions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The fertilizer industry is facing liquidity problem on account of some delay in payment of subsidy due to constraints of funds.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. It may, however, be pointed out that the entire issue of fertilizer pricing and subsidy is presently being considered by a Parliament Committee.

Fair Price Shops and Rationing Circles in Delhi

2281. SHRI RAM DEO BHANDARI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of rationing circles in Delhi and the total number of Fair Price Shops under these circles.;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Fair Price Shops refuse to supply to those consumers who do not purchase the items other than those of ration from them;

(c) whether Government would consider to stop this type of practice in such Fair Price Shops particularly in Gole market area; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in affirmative, whether Government propose to take any action against these Fair Price Shops who mix their items with rationing?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) There are 44 rationing circles and 4 camp offices in the Union Territory of Delhi. The total number of fair price shops as on 30.6.92 is 3,5,46.

(b) Delhi Administration has reported that no such complaints has been received by them from the consumers.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

मध्य प्रदेश में उचित दर की चलती-फिरती दुकानें

2282. श्री शिव प्रसाद चनपुरिया : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में उचित दर की चलती-फिरती कितनी दुकानें कार्यरत हैं, और इनके संचालन हेतु कितने वाहन उपलब्ध कराये गये हैं ;

(ख) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि इन चलती-फिरती दुकानों पर बिक्री का अधिकांश माल अफरातफरी में बेचा जाता है और उपभोक्ताओं को दिन भर लाइन में खड़े रहने के बाद भी खाली हाथ लौटना पड़ता है ; और