

to September, 1991 was 1.3 per cent less than the consumption during the corresponding period of 1990.

(b) Productwise projections of demand are made by the oil companies taking into account various factors such as the ongoing trend in consumption, requirements tabled by user industries, field intelligence, discussion with various trade associations etc.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Domestic crude oil production

90. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL
alias MEEM AFZAL:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated domestic crude oil production likely to be achieved by the close of the year 1991;

(b) what are the targets set for the production of crude oil in the country during the next three years giving details year wise;

(c) what are the basis on which the crude production targets are based; and

(d) what is the likely percentage of decline in the crude imports in the event of achieving the projected targets of production?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The crude oil production was estimated to be 35.06 million tonnes during 1991-92, including 1 million tonnes of NGL. However, for various reasons, this is not likely to be achieved.

(b) The targets for the next three years are yet to be fixed.

(c) The targets are fixed on the basis of estimated production capacities of the two national oil companies, ONGC and OIL,

(d) In view of (b) above, does not arise.

Reduction in railway manpower

91. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL
alias MEEM AFZAL:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to reduce the manpower in railway by almost 40 per cent;

(b) if so what are the details thereof stating the category of personnel proposed to be reduced and the percentage of reduction in each case;

(c) by when the proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(d) the manner in which the retrenched staff is proposed to be rehabilitated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.
(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Prices of crude and petroleum products

92. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA.
SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of rise in the prices of crude and petroleum products in the international market during the last six months and with the current trend, what is the anticipated rise in their prices by the close of the financial year 1991-92;

(b) what is the anticipated rise in the demand of crude and petroleum products by the end of 1991-92;

(c) what is the estimated quantity of crude and petroleum products likely to be imported to meet the demand during the current financial year; and

(d) by what percentage the budgetary provision for the import of crude

and petroleum products is likely to be affected as a consequence thereof and the manner in which Government propose to meet the same?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (d) The monthly average prices of crude, SKO, HSD and LPG in the spot market for October, 1991, were higher than those for April, 1991 by about 23 per cent, 24 per cent, 27.5 per cent and 15.7 per cent respectively. The trend of prices in future depends on a number of factors and is uncertain. The demand of crude during 1991-92 is estimated at about 51.6 MMT. The demand of petroleum products by the end of 1991-92 will depend upon factors like growth in the economic activity etc. At present, Government have approved the import of 20.3 MMT crude, 4.772 MMT HSD, 3.583 MMT SKO, and 0.909 MMT of other products during 1991-92.

Male-Female Ratio

93. **SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:**

SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the male-female ratio

of population as the latest census, in each State and Union Territory in rural and Urban areas, separately; and

(b) whether any efforts were made during the census to compile caste-wise population figures, so as to give effect to the Mandal-Commission recommendations relating to reservations in Central Government Offices and undertakings; if so, the details of the SEBC and OBCs population in each State indicating the percentage of population belonging to these castes and others?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) The requisite information is given in the statement enclosed. (See below).

(b) Data for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, as listed in the presidential Orders, has been collected. Otherwise, caste has not been enumerated in the census.

Statement

Females per 1000 males in States and Union Territories as per the 1991 Census of India

India/State Union Territory	Total	Rural	Urban
1	2	3	4
INDIA*	929	941	893
STATES			
1. Andhra Pradesh	973	978	957
2. Arunachal Pradesh	861	877	753
3. Assam	925	937	839
4. Bihar	912	923	846
5. Goa	969	994	933

*Excludes Jammu & Kashmir where the census has not been held.