

demand for telephones and the feasibility.

(iii) It is proposed to open 28 long distance public telephones during the year 1982-83.

(b) (i) The estimated amount to be incurred on the opening of post offices would be known after the physical targets have been assigned.

(ii) In so far as telephone exchanges are concerned no separate allocation has been made. These targets are financed from lump-sum grants.

(iii) An amount of Rs. 6.5 lakhs is estimated to be incurred on the opening of P.C.Os.

Fertilizer Plant with the assistance of Bulgaria

2592. SHRI KRISHNA MOHAN BHAMIDIPATI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state whether the Government of Bulgaria have offered assistance for the establishment of a Fertilizer Plant in India and if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): No, Sir.

Application for raw materials to manufacture bulk drugs by foreign companies

2593. SHRIMATI HAMIDA HABIBULLAH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 1591

given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th December, 1981 and state:

(a) what are the details of raw materials, intermediates, quantity and value mentioned in the applications of M/s Ciba Geigy, Boots, Glaxo and Synbiotics for manufacture of bulk drugs, which are pending for consideration;

(b) whether these companies have asked for any additional plant and machinery and import of technology; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether these bulk drugs for which applications are pending for consideration are being manufactured in the country; if so, the capacity approved, the names of units producing such drugs in each case and their production during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) It will not be appropriate to disclose these details relating to pending applications.

(c) Of these only Furazolidone, Diphenoxylate Hydro-chloride, Chlorpheniramine Maleate and Ibuprofen are being presently produced in the country. Details of capacity approved in favour of units producing these drugs in the organised sector and their production are given in the Statement below.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Bulk Drug	Producing Unit	Capacity (Tonnes)	Production		
				1978-79	1979-80 (Tonnes)	1980-81
1	Furazolidone	M/s Indian Process Chemical	9.00	N.A.	1.34	7.06
2	Diphenoxylate Hydrochloride	M/s. Searle	0.20	N.A.	0.88	1.24
3	Chlorpheniramine Maleate	Do.	5.00	..	0.68	0.11
4	Ibuprofen	M/s. Boots	15.00	4.54	11.45	20.14
		M/s. CIPLA	2.00	0.02