

take up newer scientific investigations identified for future needs of the country, ensuring the availability of the right kind of man-power for different areas of electronics and leading to the introduction of appropriate electronic instrumentation and control systems for enhancing the productivity of various sectors of industries.

(c) Does not arise.

Change in the structure of the Planning Commission

1588. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government propose to bring about a change in the structure of the Planning Commission;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government do not consider that any change is necessary.

Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices to conduct survey of pesticides/ insecticides

1589. SHRIMATI LEELA DAMODARA MENON:

SHRIMATI SUSHILA SHANKAR ADIVAREKAR:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have asked the Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices to conduct a study of all pesticides/insecticides now being manufactured or formulated in the country;

(b) by when the Bureau was asked to complete its study and whether

the Bureau has submitted its report to Government;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether Government have accepted the recommendations of the Bureau; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) Government had requested the Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices in November, 1975 to conduct cost/price study in respect of 12 major technical grade pesticides and major formulations manufactured in the country.

(b) The Bureau submitted its reports in May, 1977, July, 1977, October, 1977, February, 1978 and September 1978.

(c) The reports of the Bureau contained details of the cost structure of the industry, the selling prices and other connected matters. These reports also indicated some scope for price reduction.

(d) and (e) Government held a dialogue with the industry, as a result of which the manufacturers reduced the prices of a number of pesticides by varying amounts with effect from 1st November, 1977.

Traffic signals on important road crossings in Delhi

1590. SHRIMATI LEELA DAMODARA MENON:

SHRIMATI SUSHILA SHANKAR ADIVAREKAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government are aware that there are no traffic signals and no permanent traffic police arrangements at the various crossings like Dr. Ambedkar Road—Rani Jhansi Road (opposite Cremation Ground), Parliament

ment Street, near NDMC outdoor Auditorium/Central Government Employees Club, adjoining B. L. Kapoor Hospital, Pusa Road, New Delhi and numerous other similar crossings in the Capital from where hundreds of thousands of vehicles pass daily with the result that thousands of innocent citizens and school going children are killed particularly by the Delhi Transport Corporation buses, mini-buses and other heavy vehicles;

(b) whether the Commissioner of Police, Delhi or Deputy Commissioner Traffic have made any survey for installation of traffic signals or posting of traffic police at such crossings to minimise the road accidents and save the lives of the innocent citizens and school going children;

(c) if so, when this survey was conducted and by whom and what are the findings of the survey;

(d) whether the findings of the survey have been implemented, if not, what are the reasons therefor; or

(e) what immediate steps Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. D. PATIL): (a) to (e) A statement is attached.

Statement

While there is no traffic signal at Dr. Ambedkar Road—Rani Jhansi Road (opposite cremation ground) crossing there is a round about which is effective in controlling and diverting the traffic. The crossing adjoining B. L. Kapoor Hospital, Pusa Road is manned by traffic constables during peak hours. As regards the crossing at the Parliament Street near N.D.M.C., outdoor Auditorium/Central Government Employees Club, perhaps, the reference is to the crossing at Park Street near The N.D.M.C. indoor Stadium/Central Government Employees Club. There is no traffic signal

at this point. No traffic constables are also, normally, posted except when the occasion so requires.

It is not correct that thousands of people are killed. In fact, during the period 1st-1978 to 28-2-1979, there were 637 fatal accidents. Absence of traffic signals/traffic police arrangements at various crossings could only be one among the many causes of the road accidents."*

The question of installation of traffic signals and making permanent arrangements for manning of various crossings by the traffic police is considered from time to time and necessary action is taken subject to financial constraints. Recently, an Expert Committee set up by the Government had also gone into the requirements of the traffic police and had recommended augmentation of the force. The report was considered by the Government and in February, 1979, sanction was issued for 184 additional posts in traffic police in the first phase.

लघु सीमेंट संयंत्रों के लिए स्थल

1591. डा० भाई महावीर :

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर :

श्री हरिशंकर भाभड़ा :

श्री कलराज मिश्र :

क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत के सीमेंट अनुसंधान संस्थान ने लघु सीमेंट संयंत्र स्थापित करने के लिए कतिपय स्थलों की सिफारिश की है ;

(ख) यदि हां तो इनका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) सरकार ने इस संबंध में अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की है ?