

### Technology for drug formulations

\*623. PROF. RAMLA'L PARIKH: - Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, 'CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that full technology for drug formulations is available within the country;

(b) whether Government propose to reserve all drug formulations exclusively for the small-scale sector; and

(c) if so, what will be the effect of this policy on the existing units in the medium and organised sector of the industry?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) Technology for the production of all the types of formulations now manufactured in India is available within the country. However, research activity is being constantly carried out all over the world for improving the technology for formulations with special reference to improving controlled drug delivery systems.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

### Non-availability of Nutan Stoves at controlled rates at Madras

\*624. SHRI V. VENKA. - SHRIMATI NOORJEHAN 'C - RAZACK;

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, 'CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the places where Nutan Stoves are available for sale and the price at which these are sold;

(b) whether it is a fact that these stoves are not sold at Madras; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government are aware that these stoves are procured from Delhi and sold at a very high price in Madras by some unscrupulous persons; and

(d) if so, what steps Government propose to take to ensure that the stoves are made available at Madras and other places at fixed rates?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) to (d) A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House.

### Statement

(a) Nutan stoves are available for sale in Union Territory of Delhi, Jaipur, Ajmer, Ranikhet, Nainital, Haldwani, Dehra Dun, Mussoorie, Rishikesh, Bahalgarh, Sonapat, Ghaziabad, Gajraula and Panipat in North India, Calcutta metropolitan areas and adjoining civil districts of 24 Parganas, Howrah and Hooghly. The retail selling price in Delhi has been fixed by Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) at Rs. 40.30 inclusive of local taxes and for the other locations in North India the retail selling price fixed is Rs. 40.50 plus local taxes and octroi, as applicable. The selling price in Eastern India as of date is Rs. 39.38.

(b) These stoves are not marketed by IOC at Madras because of its limited availability.

(c) Some parties are reported to be taking these stoves from Delhi and selling them at a higher price.

(d) Introduction of Nutan stoves in new markets including Madras and selling them at prescribed rates would be possible as and when additional manufacture is undertaken.

### Extension of electric train service from Tambaram to Ennore

\*625. SHRI S. A. KHAJA MOHI-DEEN: 'Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to extend the electric train service from Tambaram to Ennore via Triplicane and Adyar in the Madras City; and

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

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.