

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government to ensure the supply of drinking water in the Janakpuri Colony, Delhi, where about 15,000 more residential flats are to be constructed in the near future?]

**स्वास्थ्य तथा परिवार नियोजन और निर्माण, आवास और नगर-विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री परिमल घोष) :** (क) दिल्ली नगर निगम, जनकपुरी कालोनी के ब्लॉक 'ए' और 'बी' में 15,000 गैलन पीने का पानी सप्लाई कर रही है। पश्चिम दिल्ली की कालोनियों में पानी की सामान्य कमी को देखते हुए पानी की सप्लाई की कमी को पूरा करने के लिए दिल्ली विकास प्राधिकरण द्वारा दो नल-कूप भी लगाये गये थे। हाल ही में, एक नल-कूप में पानी कुछ खारा हो गया और इसलिए इसे बन्द कर दिया गया है। फिलहाल, निगम पीने के पानी की सप्लाई में वृद्धि करने की स्थिति में नहीं है।

(ख) दिल्ली विकास प्राधिकरण का इस कालोनी में 5,400 अतिरिक्त फ्लैट निर्माण करने का प्रस्ताव है। दिल्ली नगर निगम, वजीरावाद से राजौरी गार्डन तक एक बड़ी पाईप बिछा रही है। कार्य के मार्च, 1971 तक पूरा होने की आशा है। इसके पूरा होने पर, जनकपुरी कालोनी के लिए और अधिक पानी उपलब्ध हो जाएगा।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING AND WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PARIMAL GHOSH) : (a) The Municipal Corporation of Delhi are supplying 15,000 gallons of drinking water to Blocks 'A' and 'B' in Janakpuri Colony. In view of the general shortage of water in West Delhi Colonies, two tube-wells were also sunk by the Delhi Development Authority to supplement the water supply. Recently, water in one of the tube-wells has turned slightly brackish and hence it has been shut down. The Corporation is not in a position at present to increase the supply of drinking water.

(b) The Delhi Development Authority proposes to construct additional 5400 flats in this Colony. The Municipal Corporation of Delhi are laying a main from Wazir-

bad to Rajouri Garden. The work is expected to be completed by March, 1971. On its completion, more water will become available for Janakpuri Colony.]

#### SURVEY OF IPON ORE AND MANGANESE IN ORISSA

851. SHRI BANKA BEHARY DAS : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any survey has been made to assess potentiality of iron ore and manganese ore deposits in Malangtoli area of Orissa;

(b) whether the National Mineral Development Corporation is undertaking any project in this area for production of iron ore; and

(c) if so, what is the progress in this matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI NITI RAJSINGH CHAUDHARY) : (a) Geological Survey of India have recently investigated into the potentiality of the iron ore deposits in the Malangtoli area, Sundargarh-Keonjhar districts in Orissa and have established reserves of 609 million tonnes of iron ore of which 165 million tonnes may be lump ore with 63.8 percent iron, in the Pipokri-Sirkagutu area of the Malangtoli area. No investigations have been conducted for assessing the potentiality of manganese ore deposits in this area since there is no knowledge of any deposits in the area. However regional assessment of the potentiality of manganese ore deposit in the Jajoda-Koira Valley adjoining Malangtoli area is in progress by the Geological Survey of India from the 1968-69 field season.

(b) and (c) The matter is under consideration.

#### STEPS TO CONTAIN PRICE

852. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Dr. Gadgil, Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission, remarked at a Press Conference on May 18, last, that if the prices could not be contained, then something "more effective" would have to be done;