

any programme of construction, depends on factors like financial resources availability of land etc. It is, therefore, not possible to say how long it would take to provide residential accommodation to all the Government servants working in eligible offices.

(c) and (d) Government is examining a proposal, subject to availability of resources, for the construction of residential accommodation so as to provide accommodation to a reasonably adequate number of their employees within the next few years.

SHORTAGE OF PETROL IN CALCUTTA

796. CHAUDHARY A. MOHAMMAD : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news item in the Hindustan Times dated the 13th November, 1968 to the effect that because of a dispute between the management and employees of some foreign oil companies, Calcutta is facing acute shortage of petrol ; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the period of the strike by the staff of the private oil companies, emergency measures were taken by the Indian Oil Corporation to meet the public requirements for motor spirit (petrol) and high speed diesel oil through its own retail outlets in the Calcutta area. As a result of the initiative taken by the Government, the strike has since ended and the supply position has become normal.

797. [Transferred to the 11th December, 1968].

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REFINERY IN BIHAR

799. SHRI BAHARUL ISLAM : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state : 4—55 R. S./68.

(a) whether Government are aware of the demands of the people of Assam for a Second Refinery in the State ; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have no proposal under consideration at present to set up a second refinery in Assam.

FERTILIZER PLANT AT PARADEEP

800. SHRI SARLA BHADAURIA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to set up a fertilizer Plant at Paradeep in the private sector with foreign collaboration ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH) : (a) and (b) A private party has recently submitted a proposal for establishment of a fertilizer factory at Paradeep with foreign collaboration for producing 132,000 tonnes of Urea, 330,000 tonnes of Urea-Ammonium Phosphate and 260,000 tonnes of Diammonium phosphate, per annum. The proposal is under consideration.

TOP TAX PAYERS IN INDIA

801. SHRI SARLA BHADAURIA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the twenty top income-tax payers in the country and the amount of tax arrears standing against each one of them at present ; and

(b) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to realise those tax arrears

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MORARJI R. DESAI) : (a) and (b) The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as early as possible.