(b) This order has not fixed the prices of drugs anew. However, the manufacturers have made representations regarding certain other provisions of the order.

Written Answers

अहिन्दी भाषी भारतीयों और विदेशियों को हिन्दी का सिखाया जाना

- 211 श्री रामकुमार भुवालका : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :
- (क) क्या सरकार ने अहिन्दी भाषी भारतीयों तथा विदेशियों को सरल तरीके से हिन्दी सिखाने की किसी योजना पर विचार किया है;
- (ख) यदि हां, तो उस योजना क ब्यौराक्या है; और
- (ग) उस योजना के कब लागू किये जाने की संभावना है?

tfTEACHING OF HINDI TO NON-HINDt SPEAK-ING INDIANS AND FOREIGNERS

- 211. SHRI R. K. BHUWALKA: Will the Minister of EDUC \(\scrt{TION}\) be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have considered any scheme for teaching Hindi in a simple manner to non-Hindi speaking Indians and to the Foreigners;
- (b) if so, what are the details of the scheme; and
- (c) by when the scheme is likely to be introduced?]

शिक्षा मंत्रालय में उपमंती (श्री भक्त दर्शन): (क), (ख) और (ग) देश के अहिन्दी भाषी लोगों तथा विदेशियों को पत्राचार पाठयकम द्वारा हिन्दा सिखाने के लिए भारत सरकार केन्द्रीय हिन्दो निदेशालय में एक केन्द्र स्थापित करने पर विचार कर रही है। इस योजना की विस्तृत रूपरेखा तैयार की जा रही है। आशा है कि अगले वित्त वर्ष तक यह योजना आरम्भ हो जायेगी।

f[] English translation

t{THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAKT DARSHAN): (a) to (c) The Government of India are considering to establish a centre in the Central Hindi Directorate for the teaching of Hindi through the correspondence courses to Non-Hindi speaking Indians and foreigners. The details of the scheme are being worked out. It is hoped that the scheme will be introduced in the next financial year.]

212. [Transferred to the 3rd August, 1966.]

IMPORT OF CRUDE AFTER DEVALUATION OF THE RUPEE

- 213. SHRIMATI TARA RAMCHANDR\ SATHE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:
- (a) how much crude has been imported or is intended to be imported after the devaluation of the rupee during 1966;
- (b) what has been the effect of devaluation on the import of oil;
- (c) whether there has been any increase in the prices of kerosene, petrol and diesel and similar other products; and
- (d) if so, the extent of such increase and the causes thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI O. V. ALA-GESAN) : (a) About five million tonnes.

- (b) As in case of other imported commodities, the c.i.f. values of Crude Oils have increased by 57.5% in terms of Indian rupee.
 - (c) No.
 - (d) Does not arise.

DELHI ADMINISTRATION'S REQUEST FOB ADDITIONAL FUNDS

- 214. RAJA SHANKAR PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AF FAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Administration has requested Government to sanction additional funds for the current financial year of the Fourth Plan period for

implementation of the various schemes;

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(b) if so, what action has been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI): (a) Yes.

(b) The matter is receiving Government's attention.

TELEXES AND TELEPHONES SYSTEM

- 215. SHRI K. SUNDARAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased
- (a) what is the total number of telephones and telexes installed in Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi and Madras respectively and in the rest of the country; and
- (b) how many applications for new connections are pending in the cities mentioned

above and when these are likely to get the connections?

to Question*

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AND COMMUNICATIONS **AFFAIRS** (SHRI JAGANNATH RAO): (a) and (b) The number of telephones installed and the waiting lists are given in the statement attached. The details of Telex connections and the waiting lists are also given in the same statement. Continuous efforts are. however, being made to expand the existing exchanges, open new exchanges and lay underground cables to meet the pending demands to the maximum extent depending upon the resources available.

The position of Telex connections is likely to improve next year by which time the capacities of the telex exchanges at Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and New Delhi are likely to be increased. The demands are mostly heing met as and when received.

STATEMENT Position as on 31-3-1966

		Station		d ;		Telephones		Telex Connections	
	•				: : :	Number Installed	Waiting list	Number installed	Waiting list
1.	Bombay		·			118,724	65,570	195	634
2.	Calcutta					141,645	75,022	187	469
3.	Delhi					87,166	49,709	188	394
4.	Madras		٠.			44,352	13,826	175	216
5.	Rest of the	country			• •	456,562	1,43,509	351	85
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PRODUCTION OF TELEPHONES

- 216. SHRI K. SUNDAR\M: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) what is the total capacity of production of telephone instruments by the telephone industry in India; and
- (b) whether there is any proposal to allow private sector to manufacture the same to meet the growing demands of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AND COMMUNICATIONS AFFAIRS (SHRI JAGANNATH RAO): (a) The

total capacity of the Indian Telephone Industries Limited, Bangalore, for production of telephone instruments during the Fourth Five Year Plan period is 12 lakh instruments. For the year 1966-67, the targeted production of telephones is 2.3 lakh instruments.

(b) No, Sir. The production of telephone instruments in Indian Telephone Industries is sufficient to meet the planned requirements of the Posts and Telegraphs Department.

CENTRAL VIGILANCE COMMISSIONER'S VISIT TO THE ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS

127. SHRI NIREN GHOSH. Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: