

(b) what is the cost of each machine;

(c) whether any indigenous Franking machines are now available; and

(d) if reply to (c) be in the affirmative what is the price of indigenous machines?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI): (a) No Sir.

(b) to (d) A few varieties of this machine are now manufactured in India. Details of the manufacturers, price etc. are laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

Name of Supplier	Name of the machine	Whether imported or indigenously manufactured	Name of the Manufacturer in India	Approximate cost
				Rs.
1. M/s. Kilburn and Co., (P) Ltd., Post Box No. 61-2, Fairlie Place, Calcutta-1.	Universal Simplex	Imported	..	850
	Universal Multivalue	Imported	..	2,500
2. M/s. Ronco Ltd., Post Box No. 2317, 27, Rajendranath Mukherjee Road, Calcutta-1.	Neopost Multivalue Frankmaster	Imported	..	2000
	Neopost	*Indigenously manufactured	M/s. Ronco Ltd., Madras.	1,150
3. M/s. Gillander Arbuthnot and Co., Ltd., Post Box No. 174 Gillanders House, Calcutta-1.	Stamp master	*Indigenously manufactured	M/s. Republic Engineering Corporation Ltd., Calcutta.	1,450

*Only the meters used in the machine are imported.

URANIUM PLANT

631. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up a plant to produce uranium-235 in the near future;

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

(c) if there is no proposal, what are the reasons therefor?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI LAL BAHADUR): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Uranium-235 is extracted from natural uranium in a gaseous diffusion plant. This process is very costly and

requires a considerable amount of electric power.

NETAJI SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE

632. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to institute a fresh enquiry headed by former High Court or Supreme Court Judge to find out the whereabouts of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI LAL BAHADUR): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.