

FUEL ECONOMY SURVEYS BY N.P.C.

*55. SHRI BABUBHAI M. CHINAI:
Will the Government consider

1. a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to organise fuel economy surveys under the auspices of the National Productivity Council to help textile, chemical, glass and certain other industries in effecting economy in the consumption of coal; and

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

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI N. KUNUNGO): (a) Yes, Sir.

A statement is laid on the Table in the House.

STATEMENT

In the past the Government had commissioned two foreign experts to study the scope for economy in the use of fuel in Indian industry and suggest measures for economy in the consumption of fuel (mainly coal) and better utilisation of generated energy (mainly steam). After considering the recommendations made by the experts, Government have decided to set up a Fuel Efficiency Service. The organisation of this Service and its operation have been entrusted to the National Productivity Council.

2. The main objective of the Service will be to advise industry on efficient utilisation of fuel. While the service may ultimately cover all aspects of economic utilisation of coal and other fuels including aspects such as substitute fuels, fuel handling and transportation, utilisation of generated heat energy etc., to begin with it will concentrate on the effective utilisation of coal through adoption of, what may be called, "First-aid Measures", "Instrumentation" etc.

3. It is envisaged that the Service will provide on the spot assistance and advice to individual plants for economies in the consumption of coal. It will also endeavour to promote fuel efficiency consciousness in industry, assist industry in adopting proved techniques of fuel utilisation, provide in-plant consultation service for advising on fuel efficiency problems, train personnel in skills, in techniques of efficient fuel utilisation provide testing and analysis facilities with regard to fuel efficiency.

4. It has been decided that to begin with the Fuel Efficiency Service would operate in the Greater Bombay industrial area. The personnel for this Service would consist of a nucleus staff of two senior specialists supported by a team of junior specialists and assistants. In addition, it is planned to secure the services of two experts from U.K. under the Colombo Plan for necessary advice and assistance.

5. It is proposed to charge fees from industry for the services rendered. This is expected to cover at least a part of the expenditure on the service.

**BE OF PAPERS SET FOR
D) MENTAL EXAMINATION**

*56. DIWAN CHAMAN LALL: Will the Minister of WORKS, HOUSING AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

a) whether it is a fact that in June, 1963, there was a leakage for the second successive time of the question papers set for a Departmental examination in his Ministry; and

b) if so, what are the facts of the matter.

THE MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND REHABILITATION (SHRI CHAND KHANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The examination of section officers of the Central Public Works Department in Elementary Accounts due

to be held on June 4, 1963 had to be cancelled because of suspected leakage of the question paper. An enquiry has been ordered by the Chief Engineer.

NEW ANTIBIOTICS EXPERIMENTED BY H.A.L.

*57. SHRI A. D. MANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hindustan Antibiotics Factory is now experimenting with a new type of antibiotics which have proved successful; and

(b) what are the details of the experiments which the Hindustan Antibiotics have conducted?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI N. KANUNGO): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

(a) and (b) The Research Laboratory of the Hindustan Antibiotics Limited Pimpri has developed two new antifungal antibiotics called 'Hamycin' and 'Dermostatin' which are showing promise against certain fungal ses.

2. Hamycin has been clinically tested in Government and Semi-Government hospitals and encouraging reports have been received about its efficacy. All the trials have been concluded and the Drugs Controller to the Government of India has included Hamycin under Schedule C of the D for non-parenteral uses. Protocols regarding Dermostatin have been sent to the Drugs Controller for inclusion also under Schedule C of the Act.

PERMANENT MAGNETS LTD., BOMBAY

*58. SHRI A. M. TARIQ: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a new enterprise, namely M/s Permanent Magnets Ltd.,

was established in Bombay in February, 1963;

(b) whether any import licence has been issued so far to this concern;

(c) if so, the value of the licence; and

(d) whether Government have invested any capital in the company?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI N. KANUNGO): (a) Yes, Sir, A new company, viz., M/s. Permanent Magnets Ltd., has been established in Bombay for the manufacture of permanent magnets.

(b) and (c) An import licence for Rs. 14- 7 lakhs was issued to this Company for the import of capital goods.

(d) Government of India have not invested any capital in this company.

DETECTION OF A SMUGGLING CASE BY CENTRAL EXCISE OFFICERS

*59. SHRI S. C. KARAYALAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Excise Officers at Delhi detected in May last a case of large-scale smuggling into India of goods such as watches, transistor sets, etc.; and

(b) if so, what are the particulars of the case?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT): (a) No such seizure took place in Delhi in May, 1963. However, in April, 1963, 2,960 watches valued at about Rs. 3,75,000 and consumer goods including transistor sets worth about Rs. 10,00,000 were seized by the Customs Authorities in Delhi.

(b) The watches were recovered from a foreign post parcel and the consumer goods from five packages declared to contain steel cutlery and