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Ministry to which the day has been allotted: ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS

The question will be put down for the sitting on the: 25/04/2005

USE OF MANGANESE BASED OCTANE ENHANCER BY OIL COMPANIES

SHRI MADHU GOUD YASKHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state (a) whether in a bid to improve the mileage of vehicles some oil companies are trying to manganese based octane enhancer which could be hazardous to both human and environment?
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Central Pollution Control Board and Environment Protection Control Authority has taken this issue with petroleum companies;
(d) if so, the outcome thereof; and
(e) the action taken by the Government to ban this chemical immediately?