S.No

Incident Involving British Diplomats and Crew Members of BSF Fokker Aircraft

950. SHRI A. SURENDER REDDY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether his Ministry has by now ascertained the factual details of the incident of leaving behind the British Diplomats and the accompaning Senior Officers of the Ministries of Home Affairs and the External Affairs at Raja Sansi Airport Amritsar by the crew members of the Border Security Force Fokker aircraft recently;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any departmental enquiry has been conducted in the incident involving foreign diplomats;
- (d) if so, the results thereof and the details of the action taken against the defaulting crew members of the BSF; and
- (e) the measures taken or propose to be taken to ensure that such incidents do not occur in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) to (e). An enquiry by BSF in to the incident has been ordered and is in progress.

Telephone and Post Office Facilities in Gram Panchayats in Orissa

- 951. DR. KARTIKESWAR PATRA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Gram Panchayats in Orissa having telephone and Post Office facilities, district-wise;
- (b) the number of Post Offices opened during last three years, district-wise;
- (c) the number of post offices upgraded category-wise during last three years, district-wise; and
- (d) the number of applications received for opening of post offices and the fate of the applications till December 1995?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) (i) The number of Gram Panchayats in Orissa having public telephone facility, upto 31.1.1996 is 4951. District-wise details are given in the enclosed statement - I

- (ii) The Gram Panchayats in Orissa having post office facility is 5057. The district-wise details are given in the enclosed statement - II
- (b) and (c). The number of Post offices opened and upgraded category-wise during the last three years are 138 and 2 respectively. District-wise details are given in the enclosed statement II

(d) The details of number of applications received for opening of post offices and the fate of the applications till December, 1995 are given as under:

(a) No. of applications received: 725
(b) Not justified: 107
(c) Proposals called for: 488
(d) No. of post offices opened: 130

Name of District

STATEMENT - I

District-wise details of Gram Panchayats in Orissa having public telephone facility upto 31.1.1996

No. of Gram Panchavats

5.NO	Name of District	naving Telephone facility		
1	2	3		
1.	Kendrapara	201		
2.	Jagatsinghpur	177		
3.	Jajpur	237		
4.	Cuttak	247		
5.	Puri	204		
6.	Khunda	153		
7.	Nayagarh	138		
8.	Balasore	251		
9.	Bhadrak	161		
10.	Mayurbhanj	301		
11.	Keonjhar	239		
12.	Bolangir	220		
13.	Sonepur	79		
14.	Korapur	169		
15.	Nowarangpur	128		
16.	Malkangiri	48		
17.	Rayangide	136		
18.	Kalahandi	170		
19.	Nowapara	77		
20.	Boudh	56		
21.	Pulbani	115		
22.	Sundergarh	166		
23.	Dhenkanol	164		

S.No District

	2	3	
24.	Anugul	177	
25.	Ganjam	443	
26 .	Gajapati	98	
27.	Sambalpur	115	
28.	Jharasuguda	54	
29.	Deegarh	45	
30.	Baragarh	182	
	Total	4951	

STATEMENT - II

District-wise details of Gram Panchayats in Orissa having post office facilities and District-wise details of post offices opened and upgraded during the last three years in respect of Orissa Telecom Circle.

No. of Gram

No. of Post

No.of Post

		Panchayats having Post Office facilities	Office opened during the last three years.	Offices upgraded during the the last three years.
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Angul	169	2	-
2.	Balasore	245	-	-
3.	Bargarh	175	-	-
4.	Boudh	55	-	-
. 5.	Bhadrak	163	1	1
6.	Balangir	222	3	-
7.	Cuttack	247	10	-
8.	Deogarh	59	-	-
9.	Dhenkanal	163	2	-
10.	Gajapati	95	-	•
11.	Ganjam	410	6	-
12.	Jagatsinghp	our169	•	-
13.	Jajpur	238	1	-
14.	Jharsuguda	41	1.	-
15.	Kalahandi	193	15	-
16.	Kendrapara	200	2	-

1	2	3	4	5	
17.	Keonjhar	243	13	-	
18.	Khurda	149	1	-	
19.	Koraput	195	28	-	
20.	Malkangiri	76	-	-	
21.	Mayurbhanj	309	12	-	
22.	Nowrangpur	147	4	•	
23.	Nayagarh	187	1	-	
24.	Nuapara	90	-	-	
25.	Phulbani	141	11	•	
26.	Puri	191	5	-	
27.	Rayagada	138	-	-	
28.	Sambalpur,	156	3	•	
29.	Subarnapur	80		-	
30.	Sundargarh	161	9	1	
	Total	8087	130	2	

Upgradation of Post Offices in Kerala

952. PROF. SAVITRI LAKSHMANAN : SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMCHANDRAN :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have received any representation for upgradation of Post Offices in Kerala;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). During the years 1994-95 and 1995-96, 90 representations were received for upgradation of Post Offices, out of which, 8 Post Offices have been approved for upgradation. 72 cases were not found justifies. Remaining 10 cases are under examination at various levels which . Whe be upgraded, if found justified, subject to availability of resources and allocation of Plan targets.

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Telephones in Metro Cities

953. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state: