

floods and flood management measures required in the States, to review flood protection measures taken and suggest remedial measures as necessary. On receipt of this report, the Empowered Committee was set up to facilitate expeditious and time bound action on the recommendations of the two Committees. Follow up action required on the recommendations of the Empowered Committee has been circulated in January, 1991 to all the concerned Central/State Agencies.

Also, in other flood prone States/ Union Territories such as Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Jammu and Kashmir, Karnataka, Punjab, Rajasthan and Delhi, Master Plan for Flood Management have been prepared.

The Flood Control works are required to be executed by the States as per the *interse* priority fixed by them in the outline plans so prepared.

Out of Turn Telephone Connections

*162. SHRI MANORANJAN SUR:

SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the telephone connections sanctioned on out-of turn basis from MPs' quota have been withheld by the Government;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which they are likely to be released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT):

(a) to (c) While action to provide these telephones was under way, some cases of fake out of turn sanction orders were brought to the notice by Telecom Field Units. An investigation by Vigilance Branch was ordered in May 1991 to detect fake cases and action to provide telephones on out of turn sanction was therefore withheld pending completion of investigation. Generally further action is possible only on receipt of the investigation report. However, in respect of recommendations made by Hon'ble Members against their quota, further action for provision of telephones has been initiated separately. These phones will be installed progressively on priority subject to technical feasibility.

Production of Steel by Bhilai and Bokaro Steel Plants

543. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the overall plant-wise production of hot metal, ingot steel, saleable steel and saleable pig iron in Bhilai and Bokaro Steel Plants during 1990-91 and upto June, 1991;

(b) whether there is any short fall in their production during the above period; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The overall plant-wise production of hot metal, ingot steel, saleable steel and saleable pig iron in Bhilai and Bokaro Steel Plants during 1990-91 and upto June, 1991 is given below:—

(Thousand Tonnes)

| Plant | 1990-91 | | April-June '91 | |
|--------------------|---------|--------|----------------|--------|
| | Target | Actual | Target | Actual |
| Hot Metal | | | | |
| Bhilai Steel Plant | 3600 | 3549 | 886 | 808 |
| Bokaro Steel Plant | 3850 | 3267 | 755 | 828 |