THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). The Delhi Police have reported that the traffic policemen are deployed at the round abouts of Gole Dakkhana Patel Chowk and Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital during peak hours. Besides, the traffic police staff is also detailed at Gole Dak-Khana from 7.00 A.M. to 9.00 A.M. and 12.00 noon to 2.00 P.M. The installation of traffic signals on these round about has not been considered expedient for smooth road traffic.

(c) to (e). There is no proposal to instai traffic signals at present.

[English]

## Pro-Rata Wages to Extra Department Employees

2869. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI SHRIATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE PROF. PREM DHUMAL

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstirred Question No. 3892 on August 22, 1991 and state:

- (a) whether the Government have taken any decision regarding grant of pro-rate wages, increase in the amount of Ex-gratia/ gratuity and extension of Group Insurance Scheme to Extra Departmental Agents/ Employees;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons for the delay?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c). The proposal regarding payment of pro-rata

wages and increase in ex-gratia gratuity to the Extra-Departmental Agents has been considered in consultation with the concerned Ministries of Govt, of India, Having regard to the prevailing over-all economic situation in the country, and other relevant factors such as the heavy financial implications involved in the proposal, the continuing Heavy deficits of the Department. the limited scope for bridging the gap between revenue and expenditure and the likely repercussions of the revision of pro-rata wages of ED Agents on a large number of other similarly placed part-time workers in sectors like Education, family Welfare, etc., Government have decided to drop the proposal for the present. No decision has been taken regarding extension of Group Insurance Scheme to E.D. Agents.

## S.T.D. Facilities in Orissa

2870. SHRI K. PRADMANI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the cities in Orissa which have been provided with Subscriber Trunk Dialing (STD) facility so far;
- (b) whether there is any demand extend. this facility to some other cities also;
- (c) the names of the cities where this facility is proposed to be extended in that state; and
- (d) the time by which STD facility is likely to be made available there?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) List is placed at the enclosed Statement-II

- (b) Yes, Sir,
- (c) and (d). STD facility is planned to be