

ing the Third Five Year Plan period; and

(b) places where these are proposed to be opened?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) 45 new exchanges and 130 Public Call Offices are tentatively proposed to be opened in the Third Plan.

(b) A statement showing names of places where exchanges and Public Call Offices have already been sanctioned is placed on the Table of the House. In addition to these, exchanges and Public Call Offices will be opened at other places if they are found to be remunerative. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 63].

National Water Supply and sanitation programme in Mysore and Rajasthan States

1891. Shri S. B. Patil: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of grants and subsidies allotted to Mysore Government by the Government of India during Second Plan period and the first year of the Third Five Year Plan under the National Water Supply and Sanitation Programme;

(b) the amount actually spent during each of these periods by the Mysore State Government; and

(c) the amount allotted in the Third Five Year Plan for Rajasthan under the above programme?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) A grant of Rs. 26.80 lakhs was sanctioned to the Government of Mysore for rural water supply and sanitation schemes under the National Water Supply and Sanitation Programme (Rural) during 1957-58. According to the existing procedure from 1958-59, allotment of funds to States is sanctioned in lump-sum for broad groups or categories of schemes and not for individual schemes. As such, the question of sanctioning grant-in-

aid specifically for National Water Supply and Sanitation Programme (Rural) does not arise.

(b) The information has been called for from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha when received.

(c) A provision of Rs. 5 crores for urban and Rs. 2 crores for rural water supply and sanitation schemes under the National Water Supply and Sanitation programme has been provided in the Third Five Year Plan of Rajasthan.

Rural Electrification in Mysore State

1892. Shri S. B. Patil: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in Mysore State where electricity has been provided so far;

(b) the number of villages which will be electrified by the end of Third Plan period in the Mysore State; and

(c) the amount allotted for this purpose in the Third Five Year Plan and the amount spent so far?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Irrigation and Power (Shri Alagesan): (a) 1,822 villages upto 31st March 1962.

(b) 2,742 (anticipated).

(c) A provision of Rs. 425 lakhs exists in the Third Plan for rural electrification in the State. An expenditure of about Rs. 222 lakhs is reported to have been incurred on 'Power schemes, including rural electrification' during the year 1961-62.

Power Supply in West Bengal-Bihar Industrial Belt

1893. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the West Bengal-Bihar industrial belt is in a precarious condition on account