

(b) The vigilance monitoring in the Deptt. has been stepped up. Official of the Telecom Deptt. found indulging in such mal-practices are dealt with under the disciplinary Rules. A committee has been set-up to suggest modifications to the Indian Telegraph Act with a view to provide for deterrent penalties for such offences. Assistance of the C.B.I. is also being taken to check such mal-practices.

Selection of Inspector Amongst Women Team (Kabaddi) of CISF

3979. SHRI NARAIN SINGH CHAUDHARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any women Kabaddi Team of Central Industrial Security Force;

(b) if so, whether any recruitment test of the post of Inspector (Kabaddi), on sports basis, was held in 1990;

(c) if so, whether the appointments have been made; and

(d) if not, the reasons for the delay and when these are proposed to be made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) (a) No, Sir.

b) to d) Do not arise

Reversible Pump-Hydel Turbine Unit Near Panchet Dam

3980. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Damodar Valley Corpo-

ration (D.V.C) decided to instal an Austrian reversible Pump-hydel turbine unit of 40 KW near Panchet Dam about a decade ago;

(b) if so, whether the Project could not be implemented so far; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). This unit has been synchronised in a conventional manner and it came into commercial operation on full load from 11.4.1991. However, the reversible pump turbine system could not be commissioned as the tail pool dam of the project is still under construction. The progress of work on the tail pool dam is slow due to obstruction from the land losers and the local villagers demanding employment.

Microwave tower in Bhubaneswar:

3981. DR. KARTIKESWAR PATRA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the project for setting up a Microwave Tower in Bhubaneswar sanctioned long back is still awaiting implementation;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the government to set up the same in a time bound programme?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) There is an existing Microwave tower at Bhubaneswar since 1972. A second tower has also been completed in January, 19912 and a

modern digital Scheme commissioned in, March, 1991.

(b) and (c). Question does not arise.

Branch Post Office In Trichur District

3982. PROF. SHRIMAT SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government propose to open branch Post Offices in Trichur district of Kerala especially at Sreenarayanapuram village;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which these are likely to be opened?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c). It is proposed to open three extra departmental branch post offices in Trichur district, subject to justification during 1991-92 at

(i) Adurtrichur,

(ii) Munakkakadavu and

(iii) Thandillam

There is, however, no proposal to open extra departmental post offices at Sreenarayanapuram during the current year.

[*Translation*]

Hydro Power Projects in Bihar

3983. SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of small and big hydro

power projects in the flood prone districts of northern Bihar and the number of those which have been completed and which are still under construction;

(b) whether the Government propose to start more new projects in the said areas;

(c) if so, the total amount proposed for this purpose; and

(d) the progress made so far regarding these projects and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) In North Bihar, Kosi Hydel Project with an installed capacity of 4 x 5=20 MW in the district of Saharsa is under operation and Eastern Gandak Canal Hydroelectric Project with an installed capacity of 3x5=15 MW in district of west Champaran is under construction and is scheduled for commissioning during 1992-93.

(b) to (d). At present no Hydro-electric Project of North Bihar is pending for techno-economic clearance in Central Electricity Authority. However, the project report for Tribeni Link Canal H. E. Project 2x1,65=3.3 MW in West Champaran District of North Bihar was examined in Central electricity Authority and returned to Bihar Hydro-electric Power corporation in February, 1990 with a request to resubmit the project report after reviewing all the features in order to reduce the cost of generation.

Post Offices and Sub-Post Offices In Barabanki district of Uttar Pradesh

3984. SHRI RAM SAGAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the number and the details of Post Offices and sub-post offices proposed to be opened by Government in the Barabanki district of Uttar Pradesh during 1991-92?