Gauhati, Halflong, Diphu in Assam Nongstoin, William Nagar and Tura in Meghalaya.

Karong in Manipur

Zero, Daporezo, Seppa, Anini, Along, Bomdilla in Arunachal Pradesh.

Lungleh, Saina in Mizoram

Mon, Junebeto, Tuensang in Nagaland

Kailashahar, Radhakishorepur in Tripura.

(c) Work has already started at number of these stations mentioned in (b) above.

(d) As mentioned in (a) above and subject to the availability of adequate outlays all district headquarters will have access to National Telecommunication Network.

Direct international telecommunication link with capitals of foreign countries

2227. SHRI V. TULSIRAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether four metropolitan cities viz. Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras have a direct international telecommunication link with various capitals of foreign countries;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to include Hyderabad in the list of internationally linked cities with other foreign capitals;

(c) if so, the details thereof, and if not, reasons therefor; and

(d) the extent to which Bombay and Madras will be relieved of the international communication pressure as a result of inclusion of Hyderabad on the line?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir. Subscriber dialled telephone service is available from these cities to 6 countries viz. Australia, France, Hongkong, Japan, Singapore and U.K.

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(b) and (c). Hyderabad is already having direct international telephone and telex facilities. The incoming international telephone calls are directly routed to all subscribers in Hyderabad on the STD network. For the outgoing calls the international trunk operator at Hyderabad has the facilities to directly dial any number in 134 countries. As regards international tclex facilities, both incoming and outgoing calls are on fully automatic basis. For technical reasons, at present it is not feasible to extend direct subscribers dialling facility for outgoing telephone calls from Hyderabad.

(d) Does not arise,

[Translation]

Settlement of disputes of employees of Khadi Gramodyog Bhavan, New Delhi

2228. SHRIMATI VIDYAWATI CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the replies given to Unstarred Questions No, 8930 on 27th April, 1981 and 961 on 14th July, 1982 regarding settlement of disputes of employees of Khadi Gramodyog Bhavan, New Delhi and state :

(a) whether disputes of employees of Khadi Bhavan, New Delhi, which are pending with the Khadi Gramodyog Ayog for about the last 8-10 years have been settled in a justified manner; and

(b) if not, the time by which these disputes are likely to be settled finally?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND