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**Drilling in Godavari Basin**

3371. SHRI A.J.V.B. MEHESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the drilling works are going in a fast way in Godavari Basin at Konavaram, Bhimanapalli and Rajole areas in East Godavari district, Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the position of drilling at present; and

(c) the results of the work already completed.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) and (b) Drilling of one well in Konavaram, one in Bhimanapalli and two in Rajole has since been completed.

At present drilling is going on in Bhimanapalli-2.

(c) Of the four wells completed, indications of gas were observed in Bhimanapalli-1, Razole-1 and Rozole-2. The well Konavaram proved dry.

**Conversion of Delhi Cantonment Exchange into Electronic/Microwave operated Exchange**

3372. SHRI A.J.V.B. MAHESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Cantonment Telephone exchange is outdated, out-moded and obsolete ;

(b) whether the public is facing lot of difficulties in connecting telephone numbers under this Exchange;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to replace the Delhi Cantonment Exchange by electronic/microwave operated Exchange; and

(d) if so, when ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) During the Seventh Plan when part of the equipment would have become old enough to be retired.

**STD Facility in Amalapuram in Andhra Pradesh**

3373. SHRI A.J.V.B. MAHESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is not a single town in Amalapuram in East Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh which is having STD facilities;

(b) whether there is any proposal to provide STD facility for the above places;

(c) if so, when STD facilities will be provided there; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.. At present no town in Amalapuram Talukar in East Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh is having STD facility.

(b) No Sir.

(c) and (d) Due to limitation of resources only the District Headquarters not yet provided with STD facilities and telephone exchanges of more than 1000 lines capacity as on 1-4-84, have been proposed to be provided STD facilities during the 7th Plan period.

**Plan to meet oil demand after depletion of Oil in Bombay High**

3374. SHRI C. JANGA REDDY : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Bombay High meets about three fourth of India's present oil consumption;

(b) whether due to fast depletion, it is not likely to last for more than another 15 or 20 years; and

(c) if so, the plans and prospects to meet the ever-increasing oil demand when India enters 21st century ?