and Nizamabad. From Nizamabad to Hyderabad the coaxial cable link is existing. For Aurangabad-Nanded, section, the laying of Coaxial Cable is completed. Repeater and some MUX equipments have been received but line terminal equipment have been targetted to be supplied by M/s-I.T.I. in 1986-87.

- (b) By the end of 1987-88.
- (c) Jalna, Parbhani and Narided have been planned to be provided with STD facilities by linking them with the existing Aurangabad Trunk Automatic Exchange after automatisation of Parbhani exchange commissioning of Coaxial Cable System,

Wajting list for telephone connections in Delhi

1261. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGAR-WAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNI-CATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the latest decision, if any, of Government to bring the waiting list of telephone connection applicants in different areas of Delhi at par as between one area and another;
- (b) whether he is aware that there is gross disparity in waiting list for release of telephone connections in various areas of Delhi, like East Delhi and Central Delhi; and
- (c) the measures proposed to do away with this disparity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Every effort is made to keep parity as far as possible, in date of clearance of waiting list in various areas of Delhi by opening new exchanges as per the demand and by area transfer wherever feasible.

The Department has drawn a programme to instal about 1.3 lakh additional lines in Delhi during 7th Five Year Plan period to bring the telephone waiting list at par as far as possible.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) A 15,000 lines Electronic Exchange is under installation at. Lakshminagar, Shahdara and is likely to be commissioned during 1986-87. With the commissioning of this exchange, disparity in the waiting list for East area and Control area will diminish progressively. Another 8,000 lines equipment will be commissioned during the 7th Plan to give further relief to East Delhi.

Enquiry into wells drilled by O.N.G.C. under K. G. oil exploration

1262. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of his Ministry that some wells drilled by Oil and Natural Gas Commission at a huge cost under KG oil exploration programme became useless due to some lapses on the part of Authorities;
- (b) if so, whether an enquiry was conducted in the matter; and
- (c) if so, findings of the enquiry and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) No such lapses have come to the notice of Government.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

LPG bottling plant near Hazira

1263. SHRI RANJITSINGH GAEK-WAD: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a new bottling plant for LPG is proposed to be erected near Hazira in Gujarat;
- (b) its capacity and when it is likely to be commissioned;
- (c) whether the waiting time for getting LPG refills for consumer will be reduced considerably as a result thereof; and
- (d) if so, the present waiting time for getting replacement of gas refills there?