addition, two Departmental Telegraph Offices at Bahraich and Barabanki are proposed to be opened during the year 1986-87.

- (b) There is a proposal to modernise ten Telephone Exchanges during 1986-87 as indicated below subject to availability of equipment.
- (1) Fatehpur (2) Gazipur (3) Lalitpur (4) Pauri (5) Pithoragarh (6) Orai (7) Sultanpur (8) Banda (9) Ranikhet (10) Maunath Bhanjan.
 - Sl. 1—9: proposed to be replaced by Electronic Exchange.
 - Sl. 10 : CBM to be converted to MAX. II STD facility is likely to be provided at Mathura, Etah and Bijnore during the year 1986-87.
- (c) There is no proposal to install Digital Telephone Exchange at any place in Uttar Pradesh during 1986-87.

Office of Chairman Emeritus in Companies

8233. DR.B.L. SHAILESH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have at any stage considered the legality, utility and sanctity of the office of Chairman Emeritus created by certain companies outside the ambit of the Companies Act, 1956;
- (b) if so, their assessment of the situation; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNA-CHALAM): (a) to (c) Some instances of persons being designated as Chairman Emeritus in some public companies had come to notice. On examination, it appeared that there was no violation of

any provision of the Companies Act 1956 in those cases. However, the appointment of a managing director, wholetime director or manager, by whatever name called, or a part-time director in receipt of remuneration and/or perquisites in a public company or in a private company, which is a subsidiary of a public company, would require approval of Central Government under Sections 269, 309/198 and 387/888 of the Companies Act, 1956

Installation of Division Junctions/circuits in Dharamsala Telegraph Engineering Division

8239. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) what are the target dates for the installation of new/additional junctions/circuits between (i) Nadaun-Hamirpur, (ii) Gagret-Una, (iii) Hamirpur-Una (iv) Hamirpur-Dharamsala (v) Chintpurni-Gagret and (vi) Sri Naina Devi-Bilaspur in Dharamsala Telegraph Engineering Division in Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) whether the installation work on these junctions has been taken in hand; and
- (c) the latest progress made in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICA-TIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS: (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) The target for the installation of direct junctions/trunk circuits between the various stations are given below:

- i) Nadaun-Hamirpur: One trunk circuit is already working between Nadaun and Hamirpur. Another trunk circuit is justified for which necessary estimate has been sanctioned. The additional trunk circuit is likely to be provided during 1986-87.
- (ii) Gagret-Una: No direct trunk circuit is working between these