## C&AG's Observations about Submarine Communication Project

1932. SHRIG.S. BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any action has been taken on the observations of C&AG in respect of Submarine Communication Project, as contained in para 24.04 of his Report on 'Union Government (Defence Services-Air Force and Navy)" (No. 3 of 1989), laid on the Table of the House on 10 May, 1989;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for not taking any action as yet?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUC-TION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D.L. BAITHA): (a) to (c). As per the prescribed procedure, a period of six months is provided to send an action taken note.

## Linking of Sub-Divisional, Block and Tehsil Headquarters with District Headquarters by S.T.D. and NSD

1933. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PAR-ASHAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICA-TIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to link the Sub-Divisional, Block and Tehsil Headquarters with the District Headquarters, the respective State Capitals and National Capital through Group dialing, point-to-point STD and NSD during the Eighth Plan; if so, the targets in this regard;

(b) whether some of the District, Sub-Divisional, Tehsil and Block Headquarters are already linked through (i) group dialling point to point (ii) STD (iii) NSD and (iv) ISD; if so, the name thereof, Statewise, within each of the Districts of the State in case of each one of these facilities; and

(c) whether a concerted effort is proposed to be made to provide this facility on a priority basis in the special category States and other hill and tribal areas, identified by the Planning Commission during the remaining period of the Seventh Plan and in the first half of the Eighth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes Sir. The draft Eighth Plan envisages provision of National Subscriber dialling facility for all Sub-Divisional Headquarters/equivalent Tehsil headquarters; Industrial growth centres, other Cities & Towns having exchange capacity of 500 or more lines and Tourist and pilgrimage centres by the end of he plan period i.e 31.3.1995.

(b) Yes, Sir. The places linked on STD/ NSD on state-wise basis are given in statement below.

(c) Yes Sir.

## STATEMENT

List of Stations having STD facility as on 1.7.89

 SI.No. Name of Station

 1
 2

 ANDHRA PRADESH

 1.
 Adoni

 2.
 Amdalavalasa

 3.
 Anakapalle

 4.
 Anaparthy