

(Quantity in Metric Tonnes)

Item/Chemicals	Imports	
	1980-81	1981-82
Organic Chemicals :		
1. Caustic Soda	42569	2
2. Soda Ash	116369	147633
3. Calcium Carbide	2642	1309
4. Carbon Black	9314	18530
Inorganic Chemicals :		
1. Acetone	1323	2066
2. Phenol	6422	7105
3. Methanol	12381	38991
4. Acetic Acid	21	21
5. Acetic Anhydride	NIL	NIL

Information in respect of the subsequent period is not readily available.

Computerisation in Telecommunications

4263. SHRI AMAL DATTA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the fields of telecommunication in which computerisation has been introduced so far;

(b) the effect thereof in terms of efficiency and reducing need of manpower; and

(c) the details of scheme of computerisation under implementation now ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SARI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) The fields of telecommunication in which computerisation has been introduced in the Metro Districts are :

- (i) Telephone Billing
- (ii) Directory Compilation and Printing
- (iii) Fault Analysis.

(b) 1. Computerisation has resulted in :

- (i) accurate and timely issue of bills, speedier realisation of revenue,
- (ii) Reduction in the time of printing of Telephone Directories, Reduction in number of errors in Directory,
- (iii) Timely availability of information of fault details and statistics for management.

2. No reduction in the existion manpower as a result of computerising.

(c) (i) In-house computer will be installed in the 4 Metro Districts during the next year. The following applications will be on the In-house computer :

- (1) Telephone Directory Enquiry
- (2) Fault Analysis and Control
- (3) Directory Compilation and Printing
- (4) Telephone Billing
- (5) Cable and Commercial Records
- (6) Inventory Control
- (7) Network Planning.

(ii) Directory enquiry service has been recently computerised in Lucknow and Hyderabad. This has resulted in making accurate and upto date information available to operators for answering Directory Enquiry calls.

(iii) Computerised Telephone Billing has also been introduced recently in Ahmedabad and Bangalore.

[Translation]

Conversion of Reserved Posts into General Category Posts in DESU

4264. SHRI BANWARI LAL BAIRWA : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :