

Statement-II

District	No. of post offices opened in			
	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
1. Bankura	12	...	...	...
2. Burdwan	6	...	...	—
3. Birbhum	5	...	...	...
4. Calcutta	4	1	...	...
5. Cooch Behar	14	1	...	...
6. Darjeeling	3	...	...	...
7. Jalpaiguri	7	...	...	...
8. Malda	8	...	...	...
9. Midnapore	17	1	1	...
10. Murshidabad	8	...	...	...
11. Purulia	6	...	...	...
12. Nadia	6	...	...	...
13. Hooghly	3	...	...	...
14. Howrah	5	1	...	...
15. West Dinajpur	7	—	...	...
16. 24-Parganas	48	2	...	...

**Import of second hand acrylic fibre
Unit by Ballarpur Industries**

4300. DR. V. VENKATESH : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Ballarpur Industries and Himachal Pradesh Mineral and Industrial Development Corporation have entered into a collaboration arrangement for import of second hand acrylic fibre unit from a U. S. based multinational firm;

(b) whether Government have given the clearance for import of a second hand plant when the cost of new plant is only marginally a little higher;

(c) if so, the facts and details thereof; and

(d) the action being taken to check such imports ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d). The Himachal Pradesh Mineral and Industrial Development Corporation have been granted letter of intent on 14th April, 1986 for the manufacture of acrylic fibre. The Corporation have stated that they propose to implement this Project in the assisted sector with M's. Ballarpur Industries. An application for import of a second hand Acrylic Fibre Plant at an estimated c.i.f. cost of Rs 15.80 crores was received on 28.11.1986 and the application is being processed.