

1	2	3	4
14.	Manipur	180.00	200.00
15.	Meghalaya	150.00	180.00
16.	Mizoram	250.00	50.00
17.	Nagaland	243.00	350.00
18.	Orissa	376.00	470.00
19.	Rajasthan	997.00	1240.00
20.	Sikkim	70.00	95.00
21.	Tamil Nadu	169.00	225.00
22.	Uttar Pradesh	1055.00	1295.00
23.	West Bengal	190.00	250.00
24.	Tripura	180.00	215.00
Total		6607.00	8004.00

[*Translation*]

Telephone Connections to Members of Municipalities in Bareilly

4629. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the members of Municipalities are provided telephone connections on priority basis; and

(b) if so, the number of members of Bareilly Municipality, Uttar Pradesh to whom telephone connections have been given on priority basis?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRI SHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Seven Members of Municipal Corporation, Bareilly have applied for telephone connection on priority basis. These connections will be provided shortly.

Opening of Telegraph Offices and Post Offices in Maharashtra

4630. SHRI HARI SHANKAR MAHALE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telegraph offices and post offices proposed to be opened in Maharashtra during the current year;

(b) the number of telegraph offices and post offices out of them to be opened in Nasik district;

(c) the policy of the Government in this regard;

(d) whether representations were received from different areas in this district for opening of post offices and Telegraph Offices; and

(e) the action taken by Government on each representation?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRI SHNAN): (a) It is proposed to provide Telegraph facilities in 245 Post Offices on Phonocom basis. 75 new Post Offices have been sanctioned to be opened during 1990-91 in Maharashtra.

(b) 10 Telegraph offices on phonocom basis and two Post Offices are to be opened in Nasik District.

(c) Generally, telegraph facilities are made available at places where Long Distance Public Telephones in Post Offices are provided. However, new Post Offices are sanctioned as per the programme in each annual plan subject to prescribed parameters based on population to be served, distance from the nearest available post office and anticipated revenue being satisfied in each case.

(d) and (e). No representations were received for telegraph offices however, requests for two more Sub Post Offices in Nasik District have been received by Postmaster-General, Aurangabad Region and are under examination at regional level.

[English]

Lack of proper Landing Facility for Traditional Fishermen

4631. SHRI A. CHARLES: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of

the hardship causes to the traditional fishermen along the coastal belt due to lack of proper landing facility;

(b) whether a large quantity of Tuna which have great demand in the international market die a natural death due to lack of facilities for catching them; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to take urgent steps for improving landing facilities wherever possible so as to enable the harvesting of the Sea wealth by the traditional fishermen on a larger scale?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Indian Exclusive Economic Zone is estimated to have a potential of about 3 lakh tonnes of Tuna and Tuna like fish against present exploitation of about 35,000 tonnes per annum. Government are encouraging introduction of Tuna fishing vessels through charter, joint ventures, etc.

(c) Government have Centrally Sponsored Schemes for the development of fishery harbours, fish landing centres and fishery industrial estates. Proposals for the development of these infrastructure facilities are considered by the Government of India as and when they are received from the Governments of States and Union Territories.

[Translation]

Issue of Commemorative Stamp of Eminent Hindi Laureate Late Shri Vrindavan Lal Verma

4632. PROF. SHAILENDRANATH SHRIVASTAVA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to