- (c) The delay in the Commissioning of the Caprolactum plant in due to certain manufacturing defects in some of the vessels supplied by BHPV. Rectification of these defects is expected to be completed by the first week of April, 1990, and remaining piping work in two of the process plants by end of April, 1990.
- (d) The total expenditure on the implementation of the Project is about Rs. 304 crores.

[Translation]

Setting-up of Electronic Exchange at Chitrakut in Banda District in U.P.

- 4641. SHRI RAM SAJIWAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the telephone exchange under Chitrakut Municipal Committee in Banda district of Uttar Pradesh is outdated and hence not functioning properly:
- (b) whether the rented building in which the said exchange in functioning is very old and is in a dilapidated condition:
- (c) if so, whether Government propose to construct a new building and to set up a new electronic exchange there; and
- (d) if so, by what time and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-

PORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI K.P.UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) No, Sir

- (b) The building is old but not in a dilapidated condition.
- (c) No, Sir. Electronic Exchange is planned to be installed in another rented building.
- (d) During 1991-92, subject to availability of electronic exchange equipment.

[English]

Construction of National Highways in Kerala

- 4642. PROF. P.J. KURIEN. Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state
- (a) the total kilometres of National Highways constructed in Kerala during the last three years; and
- (b) the target of such construction during 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) The total kilometres of National Highways constructed (new) in Kerala during the last three years in 30.47 Kms. In addition, the following development works have been carried out on various National Highways in Kerala during the last three years:-

(i) Strengthening existing 2 lane sections

31.32 kms

(ii) Widening single lane to 2 lane

6.67 kms

(iii) Construction of major bridge

: 1 No.

(b) The sanctioned length for new construction so far during 1990-91 is 11.29 kms.

Following-development works are also targeted during 1990-91:-