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Opening of Combined Post and Telegraph Offices in Quiton District

Kasargod

4731. SHRIS. KRISHNA KUMAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to open Post and Telegraph offices in Quilon District of Kerala during 1990-91; and
- (b) if so, the total amount likely to be spent, the places selected and anticipated dates of completion?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The places proposed for Post Offices are:—
 - 1) Peringalam

2) Vilavoorkonam-

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- 3) Kadakkode
- 4) Kadathur Ward
- 5) Inchakkad

These post offices are to be opened in 1990-91, and the total anticipated expenditure is about Rs. 67,000/- per annum.

The Telegraph Offices proposed are at Kalthuruthy and Nilamel, the anticipated expenditure being Rs. 42,000/-. The telegraph facility is likely to be provided by November, 1990.

Development in Indigenous Technology

4732. SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the Government's perspective planning in the country's efforts to indigenize the production of exchanges, suitable for our conditions, with indigenously developed technology; and
- (b) the new initiative being taken by the Government to encourage the indigenous production of exchanges and to bring down the cost of production?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICA TIONS (SHRI K P UNNIKRISHNAN) (a) Government perspective plans are to meet the future demand of exchange equipment with production in the country based on indegeneous technology. There will be continuous upgradation of technology to make the equipment suitable to meet our growing requirements. traffic conditions and new devices as well as technological advances.

(b) Production capacities are being created with indigenous technology both in the case of small and large capacity exchanges. New initiatives like identification of significant factors contributing to costs and reducing the costs with the optimal utilisation of available resources are envisaged.

[Translation]

Programme for Increasing of Per Acre Yield in Hill Areas

4733 SHRI HARISH RAWAT Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state

- (a) whether Government propose to include comprehensive programme in Eighth Five Year Plan for increasing per acre yield in hill areas of the country
- (b) if so, whether consolidation of holdings in hill areas of Uttar Pradesh is also included therein, and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) The Government of India have proposed several comprehensive agriculture development programmes in the Eighth Five Year Plan for increasing per acre yield in the country including hill areas

(b) and (c) There is no proposal for consolidation of holdings in the hills of Uttar Pradesh

[English]

Officials on Deputation in BSF, ITBP and CRPF

- 4734 SHRI ARVIND TULSHIRAM KAMBLE Will the Minister of HOME AF-FAIRS be pleased to state
- (a) the number of officers who are on deputation from other departments to Border Security Force, Indo Tibetan Borders Police and Central Reserve Police Force and have completed their normal tenure of three years,
- (b) the reasons for not reverting them to their parent offices
- (c) whether departmental candidates who are eligible for promotion to the grades are not getting it because of these deputationists, and
- (d) if so the reasons for not promoting them?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED) (a) 3 Officers who are on deputation to Indo-Tibetan Border Police and one to Central Reserve Police Force have completed their normal tenure of deputation