

(b) Recruitment to the ranks of constables from Rajasthan was made through open recruitment rallies, in which persons from all parts of Rajasthan were eligible to appear.

Group Centres of Central Reserve Police Forces

4761. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Group Centres Reserve Police Force functioning in the country at present;

(b) the number of Battalions which can be kept under each Group Centres;

(c) the criteria for creating a Group Centre;

(d) whether any new Group Centre is proposed to be created in Rajasthan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) and (b). At present there are 19 Group Centres with 2 to 4 Bns Under each of them.

(c) The Group Centres are Primarily set up for providing administrative cover to the Bns., and are located depending on operational needs, fair distribution and availability of suitable land at appropriate location.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Creation of Telephone Circles

4762. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria fixed for creation of telephone circles;

(b) the number of telephone circles at present;

(c) whether some telephone circles are being disbanded; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) The Telephone Administration is divided into Circles and are known as Telecom Circles. Telecom, Circles and Telephone Districts are basic organisational units of the Administration.

(b) to (d). No applicable.

[English]

Intelligence Officials Killed and Kidnapped in Jammu and Kashmir

4763. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of intelligence officials kidnapped and killed separately in the State of Jammu and Kashmir during the last one year;

(b) whether any compensation was paid to the families of those killed;

(c) if so, the amount paid; and

(d) the latest information about those officials who were kidnapped?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) Six intelligence /CID officials have been killed in the State of Jammu and Kashmir during