

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in the matter of recent appointments of Governors, the concerned Chief Ministers were consulted; and

(b) if so, the names of such states?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED) :- (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Appointments of Governments for the states of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Kerala, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Mizoram, Orissa, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal have been made recently.

#### **Development of Telecommunication Service in Orissa**

560. SHRID. AMAT: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the details of the programmes pertaining to development of telecommunication services in Orissa during the year 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): A statement giving details is given below.

The major development programmes for the development of Telecommunication Services in Orissa during the year 1990-91

subject to the availability of equipment are as below:

#### **STATEMENT**

1. Automatisation of 15 nos. of manual telephone exchanges.
2. Replacement of 12 nos. of automatic telephone exchanges with modern digital exchanges.
3. Augmentation of Switching capacity of 10 nos. of existing telephone exchanges (increasing the Switching capacity by 4600 lines)
4. Installation of 1 RLU (2000 Lines).
5. Replacement of Stronger Telex at Bhubaneswar, Rourkela and Cuttack by electronic telex.
6. Installation of National Telex at 6 places.
7. Upgradation of Long Distance Transmission media by installation of

—Cuttack—Bhubaneswar 140 Megabits optical Fibre system.

—Bhubaneswar—Puri 140 Megabits Digital Microwave system.

—Sambalpur—Bargarh 34 Megabits Digital Coaxial system.