

8th plan. There is no proposal to convert Kanjirapally, Manipally and Bharanaganam into electronic exchanges at present.

(b) The details of the exchanges to be converted into electronic exchanges are as under:

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of the Station</i>	<i>Capacity of exch.</i>	<i>Year of conversion</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
1.	Manimala	512 Port ILT	1990-91	Subject to availability of equipment
2.	Uzhavoor	512 Port C-DOT	1990-91	
3.	Marangattupally	512 Port C-DOT	1990-91	
4.	Erattupetta	2000 lines C-DOT	1992-93	

(c) and (d). Inter dialling facility is already existing at Kanjirapally, Bharanaganam, Erthupetta, Manimala, Uzhavoor and Marangathupally. There is proposal to provide this facility in Manipally during 1990-91. STD facility is proposed to be introduced at Kanjirapally during 1989-90. Bharanaganam and Erathupetta exchanges are planned for STD facility during 8th Five Year Plan. Exchanges at Monipally, Manimala, Uzhavoor and Marangathupally will be provided STD facility when justified.

#### **Four Zones to Avoid Complications of Permits and Taxes**

658. PROF. YADUNATH PANDEY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to divide the country into four zones to avoid various complications of permits and taxes; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN) : (a) and (b). Presumably the Hon'ble Member is referring to motor vehicle permits and motor vehicle taxes. There is no proposal for divid-

ing the country into four zones as far as the system of motor vehicle permits and motor vehicle taxes is concerned.

#### **Introduction of Car Telephone**

659. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are reviving the plan to introduce car telephones in the country;

(b) if so, the rationale behind it;

(c) whether the President of M/s. Ericsson of Swedon visited India recently and if so, whether any discussion was held with him on the revival of the car telephones plan;

(d) the views of the telecom experts in this regard; and

(e) the implications of introduction of these telephones in the context of the French Cit-Alcatel System and the indigenous C-Dot system in the telecom network of the country?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN) : (a) and (b). For a