(b) if so, whether the Government propose to include the New Bombay telephones into Bombay Telephone Circle;

(c) if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes Sir. However a Linked Numbering Scheme has been introduced recently for Bombay and New Bombay.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The present status of Bombay and New Bombay as two distinct local exchange systems with their own local areas is in conformity with the existing policy of the Department.

Anti-Indian Utterances by the Chief of Army Staff of Pakistan

4994. SHRI CHANDRAJEET YADAV: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of certain anti-Indian utterances by the Chief of the Army Staff of Pakistan; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AF-FAIRS (SHRIMADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) The former Chief of Army Staff of Pakistan had from time to time, made statements suggesting, inter-alia, that India might start a conflict with Pakistan.

(b) Government have made it clear to Pakistan that such baseless and hostile

statements, designed to meet extraneous propaganda purposes only serve to increase tensions and are not conductive to creating an environment in which meaningful steps can be taken for normalising relations between the two countries.

Sharing of Expenses by States on Army Deployment

> 4995. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJES-WARI: SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate a scheme providing for the sharing of the expenses incurred on the deployment of Army by the concerned States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS-TRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration at present.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Pak Spy Ring in Kutch

SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL: SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI: SHRI JANARDAN MISRA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Govern-

ment has been drawn to the news item captioned, "Pakistani spy ring in Kutch busted" appearing in the Times of India' dated July 24,1991;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some instances of spying involving officials of the Pak High Commission have come to the notice of the Government recently;

(d) if so, the details thereof and action taken in this regard; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to check such activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS-TRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One Junas Dasal resident of District Kutch was apprehended on 5th May, 1991 while trying to cross over to India. A case under official Secrets Act was registered against him. The case is at the stage of investigation. (d) It will not be in public interest to disclose the details in this regard.

(e) In order to check such activities, vigilance on the borders has been intensified by way of effective border patrolling in addition to issue of photo identity cards to residents along the border belt in some areas. Security around vital installations has also been strengthened.

Male and Female Population

4997. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the proportion of male and female population in the country as a whole and in different States and Union Territories as per the latest census, State-wise and Union Territory-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS-TRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): A statement giving the sex ratio i.e. number of females per thousand males for India, States and Union Territories according to the provisional figures of the 1991 Census is enclosed.

(c) Yes, Sir.

STATEMENT

SI. No. India/State/Union Territory Sex Ratio 2 3 1 929 India* STATES Andhra Pradesh 973 1. Arunachal Pradesh 2. 861 925 3. Assam

Sex Ratio (Females per 1000 Males) based on the provisional figures of 1991 Census