during Annual Plan 1993-94 are given below:

S.No.	Name of Extra departmental branch Post Office	Name of district	Date of opening
1.	Kalikapur	Madhubani	4.6.93.
2.	Nagardih	Darbhanga	27.8.93.
3.	Gobarsitha	Darbhanga	26.8.93.

- (e) There is no such proposal.
- (f) and (g). Do not arise in view of (e) above.

## Transmission Faults from AIR/ Doordarshan, Gorakhpur

1886. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any representations have been received in regard to constant faults in transmission from Akashwani and Doordarshan Kendra, Gorakhpur; and
  - (b) if so, the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION . AND BROADCASTING (SHRIK.P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Two representations were received regarding interruption in transmission of Akashwani Gorakhpur. These were followed up and the faults rectified with the result that interruptions have now reduced. Doordarshan is also setting up a permanent earth station at Lucknow and the quality of reception will consequently improve.

[English]

## Telephone Bills in Hyderabad

1887. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the telephone bills in Hyderabad city of Andhra Pradesh are not issued on time and the authorities are insisting the subscribers to collect the same personally without despatching them through post and thereby resorting to disconnections for delayed payments;
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action Government propose to take to ensure that telephone bills are sent to the subscribers regularly through post on time and not to resort to disconnections without proper notice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b). No,Sir. Bills are posted generally on time through post Offices except during January 1994 when there was delay due to computer problem.

(c) Bills are sent regular by post to all the subscribers. No disconnections are done without notice.

## STD/ PCO'S in Karnataka

1888. SHRI S.B. SIDNAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the number of Public Call Offices/Payphone Booths (STD) and Telephone Exchanges set up in Karnataka during the last three years and proposed to be set up during the current year and in near future?