- (a) the locations in Uttar Predesh where Akashvani and Doordarshan Kendras were set up during the last three years; year-wise;
- (b) whether any Kendras are proposed to be set up at Hathras, Atrauli or at Sasni of Aligarh district; and
- (c) if so, the details in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Details are given in the attached *Statement*.

- (b) No. Sir.
- (c) A relay station of All India Radio with 2x3 KW FM Tr. is being set up at Aligarh which will provide, on its completion, coverage to entire Aligarh district including Hathras, Atrauli and Sasni.

Primary grade doordarshan coverage is available at Hathras and Sasni from High Power Transmitter at Agra. Atrauli lies in fringe service range of HPT, Agra and Low Power Transmitter Aligrah where elevated antennae and boosters can be used to get the reception.

STATEMENT

Locations in Uttar Pradesh where Akashwani and Doordarshan Kendras were set up during the last three years

		1991-92		1992-93		1993-94
All India Radio		NIL		NIL	(i)	Faizabad
					(ii)	Bareilly
					(iii)	Jhansi
					(iv)	Obra
Doordarshan .	(i) (ii)	Churk Mussoorie	(i) (ii)	Bareilly Rampur (Re- started)	(i) (ii)	Lucknow (for relay of DD-II programmes) Rasra

[English]

Container Terminal at Cochin

4671. PROF. K. V. THOMAS: will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made in the construction of the Vallarpadam International Container Terminal at Cochin:
- (b) whether there is a proposal to constitute an Island Development Authority at Cochin with the cooperation of Cochin Port and Kerala Government;
 - (c) if so, the aims of this authority;
- (d) whether City and Industrial Development Corporation (CIDCO), Bombay is acting as a consultant for this project, and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Global offers from private parties were invited by Cochin Port for establishment of Container Transhipment Terminal at Vallarpadam. Response so far received in this regard has not been adequate.

(b) to (e). No such proposal is under consideration of the Central Government.

T. V. serials for Bangaiore Doordarshan

4672. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO: will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some child prodigies are producing television serials for Bangalore Doordarshan; and
- (b) if so, the details of serials produced by these children?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Dose not arise.

Conversion of Telephone Exchanges in Meghalaya

4673. SHRI PETER G. MARBANI-ANG: will the Minister of COMMUNICA-TIONS be pleased to state:

 (a) the number of telephone exchanges converted into electronic ones and the number of new exchanges commissioned in Meghalaya during 1993-94; and (b) the number of telephone exchanges proposed to be converted into electronic ones during 1994-95 in the State alongwith locations thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) (i) all telephone exchanges in Meghalaya had been converted into electronic exchanges prior to 1993-94.

- (ii) Number of new exchanges commissioned during 1993-94 in Meghalaya was five.
- (b) Question does not arise in view of answer at (a) (i) above.

Electronic Exchanges in Andhra Pradesh

4674. SHRI RAMA KRISHNA KONATHALA: will the Minister of COM-MUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the target fixed and achieved regarding installation of electronic telephone exchanges during the last three years in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (b) the location of these exchanges with type and capacity of each exchange?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Year-wise targets are fixed in terms of gross lines. Target and achievement made for the last three years is as under:-

Year	Target (Gross lines)	Achievement (Gross lines)
1991-92	52736	65436
1992-93	87876	105638
1993-94	80260	121704