

during the years 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 were 2095, 2278 and 2481 TMTPA respectively.

(b) The target of LPG production fixed for the current financial year 1994-95 is 2516 TMT.

(c) The consumption of LPG during the last three years 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 were about 2650, 2873 and 3103 TMT respectively.

(d) There are proposals to increase the production of LPG through commissioning of new refineries and fractionators and augmenting LPG production capacities at some of the existing production sources. In addition, there will be some LPG production from private sector refineries.

Illegal Exchanges in Bombay

2028. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any case of illegal mini telephone exchanges at Ghatkopar (Bombay) and Mumbra (Thane) in Maharashtra has been noticed by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) the steps taken proposed to be taken to ensure that such incidents do not recur elsewhere in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b). These were not mini-telephone exchanges. At Ghatkopar, a

TAX Junction was tapped and was being used with the Multi Frequency (MF) dialer on a line having a conference facility instrument. Illegal Subscribers Trunk Dialling/ International Subscribers Dialling (STD/ISD) calls were being originated.

At Mumbra, a subscriber used to tap another subscribers' Line from the same building to make STD calls.

The cases were tapping of TAX circuit and tapping of subscriber's line.

(c) Three officials involved in the Ghatkopar TAX Junction tapping case have been placed under suspension. The subscriber who tapped the line in Mumbra (Thane) has been arrested by the police.

(d) The TAX junctions are being diverted on PCM media by passing MDFs for avoiding tapping of TAX circuits at MDFs.

Threshold observations in electronic exchanges have been introduced to find out whether any line is being diverted for misuse.

Subscribers are advised to avail dynamic STD locking facility in E-10B exchanges.

Surprise and frequent inspections are being carried out by vigilance squad.

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Trees Along Side National Highways

2029. DR. VASANT NIWRUTTI PAWAR: Will the Minister of SURFACR TRANSPORT be pleased state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to plant trees alongside the National Highways;