

(e) and (f) In order to phase out the operation of chartered foreign fishing vessels in the Indian EEZ, the Government has already scrapped the 1989 Charter policy. Further, the 1981 Charter Policy has been phased out and no requests for extension of Charter Permits under this Policy, are entertained now. Only the 1986 Policy is in operation now.

(c) A total number of 15 chartered foreign fishing vessels are operating in the Indian EEZ as on 14.12.1994.

#### Statement

*Salient Features of the findings in the Report of FAO Consultant on study of deep sea fishing development in India*

- (1) Indian deep sea fishing fleet has the technical & managerial capacity to continue & diversify its fishing operations.
- (2) An available fishery resource of 1,64,000 tonnes can be exploited annually, having an export value of about US \$ 280 million, by the deep sea fishing vessels.
- (3) Gradual and phased redeployment of the deep sea fishing fleet and collection of catch data is necessary to enable an effective fisheries management.
- (4) Three types of demonstration commercial fishing, namely Oceanic Pelagic long lining, deep water trawling, Demersal lining & trapping, to establish commercial viability of diversified fishing operations, should be taken up.
- (5) Incentives and Credit facilities should be given to deep sea fishing industry for diversified fishing operations.

#### Bridge in Kerala

1695. SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the present stage of work on Aror Arukutty bridge at Alleppey in Kerala;

(b) whether the pace of work on this bridge is very slow;

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to expedite the work; and

(d) the time by which the bridge is likely to be completed and the estimated cost of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The work of foundation and substructure is in progress. The progress is reported to be 10% upto 3/94.

(b) and (c): The progress of the work has been slow. Aror Arukutty bridge is a State Road Project approved under Central Road Fund scheme for which the State Government of Kerala is primarily responsible. The State Government is reported to have earmarked an additional amount of Rs. 70 lakhs for this project and the progress of work has picked up.

(d) The bridge is likely to be completed by April, 1996 and the likely cost of completion is about Rs. 970 lakhs.

#### New National Highways

1696. SHRI KRISHAN DUTT SULTANPURI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of new National Highways on extension of the existing National Highways on which work was taken up during the last one year, State-wise;

(b) the land acquired for the above purpose; and

(c) the cost of acquisition of land and of extension of the highway development works?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER):

(a): During the last one year, no new addition to the N.H. network was made due to meagre allocation of funds under the Central Sector Roads Programme in the 8th Plan.

(b) and (c): Do not arise.

#### Post office buildings in Orissa

1697. SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of post office buildings under construction in Orissa with locations thereof; and

(b) the time by which these are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM):

(a) and (b) The list of post office building under construction in Orissa and the likely date of completion of these projects is given in the attached statement. These projects will be completed within the target date subject to availability of funds and other resources.

#### Statement

Sl. No.	Name of post office buildings under construction in Orissa Circle.	Likely date of completion.
1	2	3
1.	Athagarh HO	31. 3.95
2.	Tigiria SO	31. 3.95
3.	Jaipur HQ	31.12.94
4.	Jaipur Road SO	31. 3.95
5.	Ersama SO	31. 3.95
6.	Madhuban SO (Paradeep)	30. 6.95
7.	Biribati SO	31. 3.95
8.	Hindol SO	31. 1.95
9.	Pallahara SO	31. 3.95
10.	Nayagarh HO	31. 3.95
11.	Puri HO	31. 5.95
12.	Kakatpur SO	31. 5.95

1	2	3
13.	Phulbani HO	31.8.95
14.	Sonepurraj SO	31.7.95
15.	Banta So	31.3.95
16.	Bonsigarh SO	31.3.95
17.	Biramitrapur SO	30.9.95
18.	Lathikata SO	31.3.95
19.	Balasore HO	31.3.95
20.	Jaleswar HO	31.3.95
21.	Rajnigiri SO	31.8.95
22.	Extension to Rairangpur	31.3.95
23.	Baripada Bazar SO	31.3.95

#### Programme of Health and Nutrition in hilly areas

1698. PROF. PREM DHUMAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have chalked out any special scheme to provide better health facilities and to raise the level of nutrition in the hilly areas of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA):

(a) and (b) The following programme aimed at improving the Nutrition levels of the vulnerable sections of the population including those living in the hilly areas are under implementation:-

1. Supplementary Feeding Programme under the Integrated Child Development Services Scheme.
2. Programmes for combating specific micronutrient deficiencies such as:

- (a) National Iodine Deficiency Disorders Control Programme
- (b) Prophylaxis Programme to prevent Blindness due to Vitamin 'A' deficiency.
- (c) Prophylaxis Programme to prevent Nutritional Anemia due to Iron deficiency.

#### Computerisation of post offices in Karnataka

1699. SHRIMATI CHANDRNA PRABHA URS: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to computerise post office in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of post offices computerised so far; and

(c) the number of post offices proposed to be computerised during 1994-95?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM):

(a) The department's programme of modernisation during the current year lays emphasis on improvement of counter services and other front office activities in post office. This is being achieved through computer-based counter machines which provide all postal services,

including Savings Bank functions, through a single window, under this programme, 83 Computer-based counter machines have been installed in 35 Post Office in Karnataka.

(b) The names of these post offices are given in the enclosed statement.

(c) During 1994-95, 12 more post offices will be supplied with PC-based counter machines.

#### Statement

Post Offices where PC based counter machines installed

1. Bangalore GPO
2. Bangalore City HO
3. Basvanguadi HO
4. Chickpet PO
5. Frazer Town PO
6. Brigade Road PO
7. Indranagar PO
8. Indian Institute Management, Bannerghatta PO
9. Jayanagar PO
10. J.C. Road PO
11. K.C. Road PO
12. Musqum Road PO
13. Rajaji Nagar PO
14. RT Nagar PO
15. Residency Road PO
16. Science Institute PO Rajajinagar
17. Vasana Nagar PO
18. Belgaum HO
19. Chickmangalur PO
20. Chitradurga
21. Davangere HO
22. Dharwar HO
23. Gadag HO
24. Hassan HO
25. Kolar HO
26. Mandya HO
27. Mangalore HO
28. Hampan Katia
29. Balimata PO
30. Puttut HO
31. Ranebennur HO
32. Shimoga HO
33. Shirangapatna PO
34. Udipi HO

#### STD/ISD/PCOs in Andhra Pradesh

1700. SHRI DHARMABHIKSHAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons on the waiting list for allotment of STD/ISD/PCOs in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise; and

(b) the time by which the waiting list is likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) The information is given in the enclosed statement.