[Translation]

### DD Programmes in Sanskrit

# 3612. DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR : SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

- (a) the details of programmes in Sanskrit language being telecast on Doordarshan; and
- (b) the steps taken/proposed to promote programmes in Sanskrit language?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) The details are given in the Statement.

(b) From 21st August, 1994, Doordarshan is telecasting a weekly ten minute news bulletin in Sanskrit on Sunday at 1.15 p.m. on the National Network.

## STATEMENT

Details of the Regular Programmes in Sanskrit Telecast by Various Doordarshan Kendras

(i) [	DDK,	Delhi	-	15 minutes programme on every Monday
(ii) C	DDK,	Lucknow	•	15 minutes programme on 2nd and 4th Tuesday of a month
(iii) [	DDK,	Bangalore	-	20 minutes programme on every Monday
(iv) [	DDK,	Jaipur		30 minutes programme on every 2nd and 4th Monday of a month

[English]

## Petrol Retail Outlets and LPG Agencies in Gujarat

3613. SHRI HARILAL NANJI PATEL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the LPG agencies and petrol retail outlets allotted in Gujarat from 1993 till date, year-wise;
- (b) the details of the agencies allotted under discretionary quota by the Government during the aforesaid period; and
- (c) the places under consideration of the Government where new petrol/LPG agencies are proposed to be opened during 1995-96 in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA): (a) From 1.1.1993 to 31.3.1995, 43 Retail Outlet dealerships and 29 LPG distributorships were commissioned in Gujarat.

- (b) 2 Retail Outlet dealerships were sanctioned on compassionate grounds by the Government during the period 1.1.1993 to 31.3. 1995 in Gujarat.
- (c) 53 Retail Outlet dealerships and 29 LPG distributorships have been included in the current RO Marketing Plan 1988-93 and LPG Marketing Plan 1992-94, Selection for which is underway through Oil Selection Board (Gujarat). In addition, 75 RO dealerships and 64 LPG distributorships have been included in the RO Marketing Plan 1993-96 and LPG Marketing Plan 1994-96 respectively for the State. It generally takes about 1-2 years for commissioning of dealerships/distributorships from the date of advertisement.

## LPG Agencies in Bihar

- 3614. SHRI RAM PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government of Bihar has requested the Union Government to allot more LPG agencies and Kerosene Depots in the State;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

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

#### **Electronic Mail Service**

3615. SHRI RAMKAPSE :
SHRI N. J. RATHVA :
SHRI SURENDRA PAL PATHAK :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government have started Electronic Mail Service in the country;
- (b) if so, the cities where the service has been started so far; and
- (c) the cities likely to be covered under this service during 1995?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM):
(a) Government have issued licences to ten registered Indian compaines both in the public and private sector for starting Electronic Mail Service in the country on a franchise basis.

(b) and (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.