[English]

NHRC Report

2782. SHRI AMAR ROYPRADHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Human Rights Commission is considering the conditions under which the Indian Citizens are residing in Indian Enclaves in Bangladesh and grant of right of franchise to these citizens;
- (b) whether the said commission is also probing into the causes of facts due to which the Human Rights have so far been denied to these Indian Citizens;
 - (c) if so, the facts thereof; and

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(d) the time by which the said Commission is likely to be submitted its report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) to (d). In a complaint dated 3 June, 1995, Shri Amar Roypradhan, Member of Parliament, has brought to the notice of the National Human Rights Commission problems of Indian citizens residing in Indian Enclaves in Bangladesh. Since the problems concern various Ministries of the Government of India, the Commission has taken up the matter with all concerned.

[Translation]

Telecom Services in M.P.

2783. SHRI KHELAN RAM JANGDE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether postal and telecom services are satisfactory in Madhya Pradesh, particularly in Chhatisgarh region;
 - (b) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Postal Services: Postal services are generally satisfactory in Madhya Pradesh as a whole and also in Chhatisgarh region particularly.

Telecom Services: Telecom services are satisfactory.

- (b) Postal and Telecom Services: Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) Postal Services: Operational lapses are dealt with by appropriate intervention. To further improve the services, multipurpose counter machines have been provided at 13 counters and more are being installed, V-SAT transmission facility has been provided at Raipur HO for money orders, hybrid mail service can also be availed of through this five new post office buildings have been constructed and front office activities are being improved.

Telecom Services: For further improving the services in Chhatisgarh region, there is a plan to provide 47,800 telephone lines and 2495 village public telephones in

its various Districts during the year 1995-96. As on 1st December, 1995, 3680 telephone lines and 35 village public telephones have already been provided in this region.

Petrol Retail Outlets

2784. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the places in Gujarat where the survey or process of allotment of dealership or outlets of diesel, petrol, kerosene and LPG has already been started;
- (b) the time by which the work is likely to be completed;
- (c) the places for which proposals for allotment of dealership or outlets have been received by the Government; and
- (d) the action taken thereon and the time by which survey work is likely to be started there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA): (a) to (d). Opening of dealerships/ distributorships in different parts of the country including Gujarat is a continuous process. Locations are identified on the basis of the market survey, included in the Marketing Plan and advertised from time to time for selection of dealers/distributors through the Oil Selection Boards. Accordingly, 76 retail outlet dealerships and 4 SKO/LDO dealerships have been included in the Marketing Plan 1993-96, and 64 LPG distributorships in the Marketing Plan 1994-96, for different places in Gujarat. Selection process is also in progress.

Programmes for Rural Poors

2785. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that most of the programmes meant for the rural development have not reached the poors;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAVA): (a) No, Sir. The major poverty alleviation programmes being implemented in the rural areas namely Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) and Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) are reaching the poor. The details of financial and physical performance for these programmes during the last four years is given in the attached Statement.

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