

under the control of the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations. Action to register, investigate and detect the crime under reference is to be taken by the Government of Assam.

[*Translation*]

Installation of Teleprinters

9186. KUMARI UMA BHARATI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telegraph offices and telegraph circuits having teleprinters with English letters only in the country;

(b) the time by which Devnagari teleprinters or bi-lingual teleprinters would be installed in all these offices and circuits; and

(c) the total number of English, Devnagari and bi-lingual teleprinters installed in telegraph offices throughout the country at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) About 80% of the Teleprinters in Telegraph Offices and circuits are Roman and 20% Bilingual or Devnagari.

(b) Devnagari or Bilingual Teleprinters are provided on circuits based on adequacy of traffic. Devnagari/Bilingual Teleprinters are planned to be provided in the 8th Plan period in the remaining Telegraph Offices with adequate Devnagari messages.

(c) In the beginning of 7th Plan there were 7615 Roman and 700 Devnagari Electromechanical Teleprinters. During the 7th Plan period 1235 Bilingual teleprinters and 770 Electronic Roman teleprinters have been introduced.

[*English*]

Naxalism in Andhra Pradesh

9187. SHRI B.N. REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some additional para-military forces have been deployed in Andhra Pradesh to meet the naxalite problem there; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b). A few companies of Central para-military forces have been provided to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh. The nature of their actual deployment is decided by the State Government.

Telephone Connections in Faridabad Telephone Exchange

9188. SHRID.M. PUTTE GOWDA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applicants registered for telephone connections in Faridabad since last five years;

(b) whether all the telephone exchanges in Faridabad District are frozen since 1989;

(c) if so, facts and reasons for not expanding the capacity of telephone exchanges in Faridabad; and

(d) the steps taken to clear the backlog of pending applications?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) 14869 applicants have been registered for telephone