

likely date of completion at present.

Constitution of Telephone Advisory Committee in Jhansi

1635. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether zonal Tele-communication Advisory Committee has been constituted in Jhansi;

(b) if so, when and if not, the time by which it is likely to be constituted; and

(c) the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) No, Sir. Jhansi Secondary Switching Area Telephone Advisory Committee has not been constituted.

(b) and (c). The policy on constitution of Telecom Advisory Committees is being reviewed. Advisory Committees will be consti-

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(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) A plot of land has been acquired from DDA in the Community Shopping Complex, Kalkaji for construction of a building to house a post office which will serve Alaknanda and adjoining areas. The construction of the building has been taken up on priority basis. The post office is proposed to be opened on completion of the building.

(d) Does not arise.

Complaints of Faulty Design and Work at New Jetty at Kandla Port

1637. SHRI BABUBHAI MEGHJI SHAH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

tuted in accordance with the revised policy.

[English]

Setting up of Posts and Telegraph Office in South Delhi

1636. SHRI E.S.M. PAKEER MOHAMED: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Post Offices and Telegraph Offices in South Delhi area;

(b) whether a new Post and Telegraph office is proposed to be set up in Alaknanda area of South Delhi;

(c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be set up; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) The information is as follows:

(a) whether any complaint in respect of faulty design and work done at the new jetty under construction at Kandla Port has been received by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(c) the extra expenditure involved as a result thereof and who will bear the expenditure?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRI SHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Due to the movement of soil on the

slope consisting of soft clay, a number of piles have tilted considerably. Some of the piles had also shifted at the out off level. The Port have engaged the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Madras to examine the problem and suggest remedial measures. Based on the recommendations of the IIT, the work, which involves replacement of the damaged piles and introduction of additional piles, is being continued. The Port has also asked IIT, Madras to investigate reasons for the failure of the piles and pinpoint responsibility.

(c) The Kandla Port Trust have indicated that tentatively the extra expenditure would be around Rs 160 lakhs. The expenditure would have to be initially borne by the Port itself.

Dacoities on Indo-Bangladesh Border in Tripura

1638 SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that on the Indo-Bangladesh border of Tripura a large number of dacoities/thefts/murders are committed by infiltrators from other side of the Indian border;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to check these incidents;

(c) whether Government propose to enhance to BSF camps in the sensitive area to check such incidents; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and what other measures Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) 11 cases of dacoity, 2 cases of robbery and one case of murder were reported on the

Tripura Sector of Indo-Bangladesh border during 1989. No such case has been reported so far, during 1990.

(b) to (d). BSF is making coordinated efforts to detect smugglers and criminals on the border. Flag meetings are held with counterparts in Bangladesh for mutual cooperation and exchange of information. More border outposts and observation post-towers of BSF have been set up, and sophisticated equipment, and vehicles etc. have been provided to increase the vigilance on the border.

Milk Production Under Operation Flood Schemes

1639. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of States/Union territories which have produced best results under the Operation Flood Schemes during the last two years;

(b) the details of the aid and co-operation being made available to States/Union Territories under the Operation Flood III scheme;

(c) whether any State is facing difficulty in finding market for milk; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) The States of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan have performed comparatively better than the other States during the past two years (1988-90). These States together contributed around 86% of the total milk procurement under Operation Flood.

(b) A statement indicating the funds