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Expansion of Srinagar Unit of ITI Limited

1600. SHRI PIYARE LAL HANDOO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there was a proposal for the expansion of Srinager unit of ITI Ltd.;
- (b) Whether the proposed expansion has taken place:
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The Expansion Plan is under implementation.
 - (c) Expansion Plan envisages:
 - Production capacity of 2,00,000 Nos. of Electronic Push Button Telephones; initial production has started during 1989-90.
 - Manufacture of 15,000 Nos. of Cordless Telephone: letter of intent for this has been issued by Government to ITI.
 - Manufacturing capacity of 25,000 lines of small electronic exchanges of ITI design; preliminary action for this project has been taken up.
 - (d) Does not arise.

Import of Milk Powder and Butter Oil

1601. SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOT-TAMDAS PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government pro-

pose to stop import of milk powder and butter oil from EEC countries due to increased production of milk in the country:

- (b) whether any aid in this regard was provided by the EEC during 1989; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRIDEV) LAL): (a) In view of the substantial carryover stocks of indigenous milk powder with the cooperatives and considering the quantum that would be manufactured during the flush season of 1989-90, the European Economic Community (EEC) has been requested to provide equivalent cash assistance in lie of commodity assistance under Food Aid Programme for 1990.

(b) and (c). The National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) has received 14991 MT of skim milk powder and 2151 MT of Butter (Provisional) from EEC under Operation Flood Programme during the year 1989.

Replacement of Old Telephone Exchange at Kolumam (Tamilnadu)

1602. SHRI B. RAJARAVI VARMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a new exchange is proposed to be set up replacing the old one at Kolumam Telephone Exchange with 50 lines capacity;
- (b) whether inter dialling and groudialling facility would be provided betwee Kolumam and Udumalpet Exchanges;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken to include thi Scheme in financial year 1990-91?