

employees for their involvement in the anti-national activities?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) and (b). Information still awaited from the State Government, which on receipt will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Electronic Telephone Exchanges in Kalyan, Dombivili and Ulhasnagar

1754. SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI NAVINCHANDRA MEHTA Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications pending for telephone connections in greater Bombay.

(b) the time by which the telephone connections will be provided to them; and

(c) the time by which the electronic telephone exchanges will start functioning in Kalyan, Dombivili and Ulhasnagar in Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) As on 1.2.90, the number of applications pending for telephone connections in Greater Bombay is as follows:

Bombay	2,61,413
New Bombay	9,984

The telephone connections will be provided to them by 31.3.95 progressively subject to availability of financial and material resources

(b) The electronic telephone exchanges at Kalyan, Dombivili and Ulhasnagar are

likely to be commissioned during the 8th Five Year Plan period.

[Translation]

Payment to Government of Rajasthan for Deployment of RAC Battalions in Assam

1755. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government propose to make payment of Rs. 146 crores to Government of Rajasthan on account of deployment of R.A.C. battalions in the State of Assam during the period 1979-85 for law and order duties; and

(b) if so, the time by which the payment is likely to be made?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) No, Sir. Under the existing procedure such payment are to be made by the borrowing states.

(b) Does not arise.

Production of Wheat, Maize and Bajra

1756. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an special programme has been launched to raise the production of wheat and maize;

(b) whether bajra is also proposed to be included in this programme ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Special Foodgrains

Production Programme has been launched from 1988-89. Wheat and Maize are among the focus crops. Bajra is proposed to be included in the Programme from 1990-91.

(c) Does not arise.

Production of Oilseeds in Rajasthan

1757. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a rapid increase in the production of oilseeds in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the production of oilseeds can be increased further by using water sprinklers;

(d) if so, whether any provision has been made therefor under National Oilseeds Development Programme; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRIDEVI LAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The production of oilseeds in Rajasthan for the last three years was as under:—

Year	Production (in lakhs tonnes)
1986-87	8.8
1987-88	12.6
1988-89	19.1

(c) Yes, Sir. The production of oilseeds

is increased *inter-alia* by using water sprinklers.

(d) and (e). Keeping in view the best use of water for increasing the production of crops, provision has been made for sprinklers irrigation under National Oilseeds Development Project for oilseed crops like Rabi/Summer groundnut which gives higher yield under irrigated conditions.

S.T.D. Facility in Godda District and Banka City of Bhagalpur in Bihar

1758. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the places where S.T.D. facility is provide to be proposed in Bihar during 1990-91;

(b) whether there is a proposal to provide S.T.D. facility in District Godda and in Banka City of Bhagalpur during the year 1990;

(c) if so, by what time the facility will be provided there; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) Araria, Chakradharpur, Ghatsila, Kahalgaon, Gumla, Godda, Jahanabad, Lohardaga, Lakhi Sarai, Madhepura, Mesra, Nirsa, Parsudi, Pakur, Sahebganj, Tatisilwai.

(b) There is a proposal to be provide S.T.D. facility at Godda during 1990-91.

(c) Banka is proposed to be provided with S.T.D. facility during the 8th plan period.

(d) Does not arise.