[Translation]

WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR ROAD DEVELOPMENT

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2142. SHRI SIMON MARANDI :

DR. D. VENKATESWARA RAO :

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Union Government had entered into an agreement with the World Bank for development of certain selected roads in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise including the amount of assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) Presumably the Hon'ble Member has in view the World Bank loan for development of National Highways in the Second package. The agreement was signed in June, 1992.

(b) The agreement covers widening to four lanes of certain selected National Highways stretches in the States of Highway Haryana, Punjab, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Orissa and reconstruction of damaged bridges on State roads in Orissa with a total assistance of US \$ 306 million.

[English]

PLYING OF TRANSPORT VEHICLES IN WALLED CITY

2143. SHRI TARA CHAND KHAN-DELWAL: Will the Minister of SUR-FACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Delhi Administration has recently taken any decision to ban plying of transport vehicles in the walled city area;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there have been protests against this decision; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE IRANS-PORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

[Translation]

TIME-SLOT TO FOREIGN COMPA-NIES

2144. SHRI MANGAL RAM PREMI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether foreign companies have applied for the allotment of time-slot of new channels proposed to be introduced by Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to telecast foreign programmes on these channels; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) No, Sir. Foreign companies are not eligible to apply for time-slots on the satellite channels of Doordarshan.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) The programmes on the Satellite channels would be subject to adherence to the prescribed codes, guidelines and other laws of the land, on the sourcing of programmes to be telecast in the time slots by the allottees.

[English]

ALLOCATION TO NATIONAL HIGH-WAYS IN ORISSA

2145. SHRI LOKNATH CHAU-DHURY : Will the Minister of SUR-FACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the National Highways in Orissa for which allocation has been made by the Centre in 1992-93, 1993-94 and the amount allotted for each road; and