

[English]

PLAN TO MAKE RING ROAD A FREE WAY

2214. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4803 on December 20, 1991 and state :

(a) whether the draft report has since been finalised;

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

(c) if not, the reasons for the delay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Report envisages long term improvement of the Ring Road covering a number of Grade separators, widening, traffic management measures at an estimated cost of Rs. 475 crore at 1992 prices. The Government of National Capital Territory has initiated implementation of the various improvements in a phased manner depending upon the resource position.

(c) Does not arise.

SCRAPPING OF DOCK TRAVELLER BY BOMBAY PORT-TRUST

2215. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether 60 ton dry dock traveller crane was scrapped by the Bombay Port Trust (BPT);

(b) the number of years the crane was under use by the BPT, the estimated life of the crane and the reasons for scrapping the crane;

(c) whether this crane was out of order ;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the action taken/proposed against those found responsible in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Does not arise.

[English]

TARGET FOR POSTAL SERVICES

2216. SHRI JEEWAN SHARMA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the targets fixed in the Seventh Plan towards opening of post offices, installation of post boxes, appointment of extra departmental agents and inspecting officers in the rural areas have been fulfilled;

(b) if not, the targets fixed and the extent to which the same were fulfilled with reasons for not achieving the targets;

(c) whether there is any proposal to enquire into the failure to achieve the targets and to find out of reasons thereof ;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the findings thereof together with action taken thereon be laid on the Table of the House; and

(e) the details of the targets fixed in the Eighth Plan and the extent to which progress has been made so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) to (d) The details of targets fixed, achievements and reasons for shortfall for various schemes, are given in statement.

(e) In the Eighth Five Year Plan, a target of opening 3000 extra departmental branch post offices in rural/tribal areas and 500 departmental sub post offices in urban areas has been fixed. In 1992-93, a total of 635 extra departmental branch post offices and 115 departmental sub post offices have been sanctioned. In 1993-94, it has been proposed to open 600 extra departmental branch post offices and 100 departmental sub post offices.