

ter of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Telecommunications (DOT) has decided to charge an annual licence fee from Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) for telephone lines;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the estimated amount of licence fee paid by the MTNL Bombay in this regard during 1992-93; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to augment the development fund of MTNL, Bombay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b). A token licence fee of Rs. 101/- p.a. is charged by DOT from MTNL comprising both Bombay and Delhi Units.

(c) Rs. 101/- was paid towards token licence fee for both Bombay and Delhi units of MTNL.

(d) Developmental activities of MTNL including MTNL Bombay are funded through following resources:-

- (i) Internal Resources.
- (ii) Extra budgetary resources such as bonds and loans etc.
- (iii) Lease financing.

Allocation of Amount From CRF

2793. SHRI BIR SINGH MAHATO: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of assistance given to West Bengal from the Central Road Fund during each of the last three years;

(b) the name of the National Highways for which the above assistance was given; and

(c) the name of projects that are likely to be undertaken in West Bengal during 1993-94 and financial assistance made available?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) the amount allocated to West Bengal under Central Road Fund during the last three years is as under:-

(Rs. in lakhs)	
Year	Allocation
1990-91	5.00
1991-92	34.00
1992-93	40.00

(b) The above allocations were meant for State roads and not for any National Highways in West Bengal.

(c) Proposals are awaited from State Government and financial assistance during 1993-94 will depend upon the accruals available and the budget allocation.

Construction of Roads

2794. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to build roads under the toll system;