

reserved vacancies. Efforts are being made by Indian Oil Corporation to fill up the reserved vacancies for ST as early as possible.

**Installation of Microwave Tower at  
Lakheempur Kheeri District,  
Uttar Pradesh.**

2196. SHRIMATI USHA VERMA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the material for the installation of Microwave Tower in Lakheempur Kheeri District has been obtained; and

(b) the time by which the tower will be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) Yes, Sir. But only partly received.

(b) Within a year, after full materials are received.

[English]

**Saroornagu Telephone Exchange,  
Nalgonda District, Andhra Pradesh**

2197. SHRI M. RAGHUMA REDDY : Will the minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that the working conditions of Saroornagu Telephone Exchange in Nalgonda District of Andhra Pradesh are very poor;

(b) whether for many years no new telephone connection has been given to any one from this Exchange;

(c) whether Government propose to expand this Telephone Exchange and convert it into a new electronic Telephone Exchange;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the alternative arrangements being made by Government to meet the demand of subscribers for new telephones and improve the performance of this Telephone Exchange ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) No, Sir. Working conditions of Saroornagu Telephone Exchange is generally satisfactory.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) There is no proposal to expand the capacity of the present exchange. This exchange is proposed to be replaced by an electronic exchange.

(d) 2000 lines electronic type exchange has been allotted for Saroornagu parenting it to Secunderabad in replacement of existing exchange of 600 lines during 1986-87.

(e) Question does not arise in view of (c) above.

(f) No alternative arrangement is possible to meet the demand of new telephone connections.

All efforts are being made to improve the existing services.

**New Telephone Exchange of Murbad  
(District Thana, Maharashtra)**

2198. SHRI S. G. GHOLAP : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to have a Telephone Exchange at Murbad, district Thana, Maharashtra and to have telephone facility at Shivle, Saralgaon and Dhasai of Murbad Taluk; and

(b) the time by which Telephone Exchange will be opened at Murbad and telephone facilities provided at Shivle, Saralgaon and Dhasai ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) and (b) :

(i) A 100 line small automatic exchange already exists at Murbad.

(ii) Proposal to provide telephone facility at Shivle is being examined.

(iii) Installation of Long Distance Public Telephone at Saralgaon is in progress and would be provided shortly.