

(c) if so, the time by which both the cities will be connected by S.T.D. ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) :** (a) No Sir. The trunk calls from Devarakonda to Hyderabad mature withing reasonable time.

(b) At present there is no proposal link Devarkonda Taluka Telephone Exchange with Hyderabad by STD.

(c) Does not arise.

**Construction of New Building for Miryalagunda Telephone Exchange in Andhra Pradesh**

2249. **SHRI M. RAGHUMA REDDY :** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the building housing Miryalagunda Telephone Exchange in Nalgonda District, Andhra Pradesh is in a dilapidated condition; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to construct a new building for this Exchange ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) :** (a) and (b). No, Sir. However a new departmental building is under construction.

**Assistance provided to educated un-employed under Self-Employment Schemc**

2250. **SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK :** Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of educated unemployed provided assistance under the Prime Minister's programme for self-employment of educated unemployed after the scheme was introduced and how does it compare with the target;

(b) whether the programme is receiving a set back for delay in sanctioning of loans by the Banks; and

(c) if so, what is being done to rectify the situation ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN) :** (a) to (c). During 1983-84 against a target of 2.5 lakhs, 2.42 lakhs educated unemployed youth were assisted under the self-employment scheme for Educated Unemployed Youth. The information from States/UTs about the progress of 1984-85 scheme is still awaited.

**Telephones in Rajnandgaon (M.P.)**

2251. **SHRI SHIVENDRA BAHADUR SINGH :** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) how many places have been connected by telephones in district of Rajnangaon, from Jaunary, 1982 to December, 1984; and

(b) how many applications for telephones are pending with Government ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) :** (a) 23 places have been connected by telephones in Rajanandgaon district in Madhya Pradesh, from January, 1982 to December, 1984.

(b) 168 applications are pending for telephone connectios in Rajanandgaon district.

**Diversification of industries from urban to rural areas**

2252. **SHRI HUSSAIN DALWAI :** Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the effective steps so far taken by Government to check the speedy growth of industrialization in urban areas;

(b) whether Government have envisaged any plan for diversification of industries from urban areas to rural areas; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken by Government in that direction?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN) :** (a) Government has recognised the need to prevent further concentration of industry around Metropolitan Cities and large towns and they have been