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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COM-PANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHAM-MAD KHAN): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

Nylon Factory in Tirupathi

3242. SHRI CHINTA MOHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to start a nylon factory in Tirupathi as had been promised by former Prime Minister Smt. Indira Gandhi; and
- if so, the constraints for its early (b) start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) and (b). There is no proposal at present to establish a nylon factory at Tirupathi. However in April 1983 a letter of intent was issued to M/s. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. (APIDC) for establishment of a new undertaking preferably in a least developed (Centrally backward) district in the State of Andhra Pradesh for a capacity of 6000 tonnes/annum. APIDC have indicated Narsapur Village of Medak District in Andhra Pradesh as the location of the project.

Mobile Post Van Service in Villages of Orissa State

SHRI **ANANTA** PRASAD 3243. SETHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNI-CATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages. State-wise which do not have any Post Offices in the country, as on 31st March, 1985;
- (b) the procedure adopted in opening new post offices; and
- (c) the number of villages in the State of Orissa where mobile post van is at the service of the villagers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE OF **COMMUNICATIONS** (SHRI RAM **NIWAS** MIRDHA): (a) Number of census villages State-wise which do not have a post office in the country as on 31-3-1985 is given in the attached statement.

(b) Opening of post offices in the rural areas is done under Plan Scheme in accordance with the targets approved by the Planing Commission. Targets approved Planning Commission are later allocated to the circles based on postal development of the areas in the circles concerned and the circles then distribute the targets to all the Divisions in the targets to all the Divisions in the circle on the similar consideration and the post offices found justified on the existing norms are opened in phased manner limited to targets fixed for the divisions concerned. A copy of the existing norms for opening of post offices is laid on the table of the House.

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(c) No mobile van post office is functioning at any village in the State of Orissa.

Statement

Sl.No.	Name of the State	Number of villages
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	12539
2.	Bihar	5864t
3.	Delhi	30
4.	Gujarat	10457
5.	Diu, Daman Dadra and Nagarhaveli.	55
6.	Jammu and Kashmir.	5205