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9.	Maharashtra	40.37	5.84	49.9
10.	Orissa	22.69	6.93	45.1
11.	Punjab	51.1	5.80	34.2
12.	Rajasthan	34.80	8.45	48.2
13.	Tamil Nadu	70.55	15.08	44.7
14.	Uttar Pradesh	56.24	17.40	51.5
15.	West Bengal*	30.37	30.29	61.4

\* Based on 1982-83 accounts as the accounts for 1983-84 have not yet been audited.

#### Setting Up of Microwave Towers in Daman and Diu

2204. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any plans for establishing better communication facilities for connecting Daman and Diu Districts with its main territory Goa ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) whether Government propose to establish microwave towers in Daman and Diu so that the people of Daman and Diu are able to establish immediate connects with Panaji ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) (i) Daman is connected by openwire carrier system to national network at Vapi. There is no proposal for microwave system.

(ii) Diu is connected by openwire line to national network and carrier system is under installation. There is no proposal for microwave system.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The traffic consideration do not stify provision of microwave system at present.

#### Exploration of Oil by ONGC in Kerala

2205. PROE. P.J. KURIEN : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has any plan to start oil exploration work in the off-shore regions of Kerala during 1986 ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) and (b) ONGC have released two locations for exploratory drilling 1986-87.

#### Telephone System in Punjab

2206. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of malfunctioning of telephone exchanges in rural areas of Punjab ; and

(b) the steps taken by his Ministry to promote and expand telephone system in Punjab ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) The working of telephone system in rural areas of Punjab is generally satisfactory except in case of frequent and prolonged electric power failures the functioning of these exchanges is affected.