

[Translation]

**Connection of Small Cities with Microwave System**

2216. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal in the Seventh Five Year Plan to interconnect small cities of some districts through microwave system ;

(b) if so, the details in this regard ; and

(c) the names of cities proposed to be covered under this scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) Yes, Sir. The small cities are planned to be interconnected by ultra High frequency digital radio systems (UHF).

(b) The proposal envisages implementation of integrated digital networks in the secondary areas of Barmer, Mathura, Nainital and Kohima at a cost of approximately Rs. 4.95 crores, 3 crores, 4.68 crores and 4.42 crores respectively. The projects are under detailed examination since these are not financially viable.

(c) The small cities are in the secondary areas of Barmer (Rajasthan), Kohima (North East), Mathura and Nainital (U.P).

**TOWNS & VILLAGES**

**BARMER** Chotan, Dhariman, Baytu, Sindhri, Samdhari, Siwana

**MATHURA** Vrindavan, Chata, Kosikalan Shergarh, Govardhan, Bisawar.

**NAINITAL** Kashipur, Ramnagar, Rudrapur Kichha, Haldwani

**KOHIMA** Mokokchung, Khipre, Paren, Chumukidima, Alichen, Akuloto Impur, Tuli, Changtongia, Chuchumlong.

[English]

**Production and Import of Bulk Drugs**

2218. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the names of bulk drugs produced in the country as well as those imported during the last three years under current Import Trade Control Policy ;

(b) the names of manufacturers and installed capacity of each drug of each manufacturer and the production of each during the last three years, year-wise along-with the percentage utilisation of capacity by each ;

(c) the imports of each of the above drugs during the last three years, year-wise ;

(d) whether it is a fact that imports of bulk drugs are going up every year and the indigenous production is coming down in spite of the fact that capabilities and unutilised capacities are available with indigenous producers ;

(e) the reasons therefor and whether any actual studies have been made by his Ministry in this regard ; and

(f) if so, when and what are the suggestions in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH) : (a) Presently about 500 bulk drugs are used in the country. About 225 of these are produced indigenously. The names of 347 bulk drugs are listed in the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1979.

(b) Industrial approvals issued from time to time are published in the monthly Bulletin of India Investment Centre, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. This Ministry monitors the production of 87 bulk drugs. Details of production of these 87 bulk drugs in the organised sector, to the extent available, are published in the performance budget of this Ministry which is laid on the Table of the House.