

(b) if so, the time by which its report is likely to be received ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM):
(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Extension of Post Office Building at Pithoragarh

2351. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal for extension of Post Office building at Pithoragarh (Uttar Pradesh) ;

(b) if so, whether construction work in respect of the extension of the building has started ;

(c) if not, the reasons for delay ; and

(d) the remedial steps being taken in this regard ?

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

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No tender was received in spite of repeated tender notices.

(d) Fresh notice inviting tenders for this work is being issued.

LPG Corporation

2352. SHRI VIJOY KUMAR YADAV : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a committee of his Ministry has recommended constitution of a L. P. G. Corporation ;

(b) if so, the basis of making such recommendation ; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) to (c) A Committee set up to suggest alternative models for the marketing and distribution of LPG has, inter alia suggested setting up of an LPG Corporation for concentrated attention to the marketing of this product. No decision has been taken by Government to set up such a Corporation.

Setting up of Electronic Telephone Exchange at Patna

2353. SHRI VIJOY KUMAR YADAV : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to set up an electronic exchange in patna with a view to improving the functioning of telephone system there ;

(b) whether the electronic exchange was to be set up there in 1984 itself ;

(c) if so, the reasons for delay ; and

(d) the time by which the electronic exchange will be set up in patna ?

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

(b) and (c) No, Sir. It was only decided in 1984 to set up electronic telephone exchange at patna.

(d) It is expected that the imported electronic exchange will be set up in the next two years.

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Merger of Burn Standard Co. and other Companies

2354. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :