

(a) The number of petrol pumps proposed to be set up in Azamgarh, Ballia, Ghazipur, Jaunpur and Gorakhpur districts of Uttar Pradesh during the years 1985-86 and 1986-87;

(b) the names of the places where the petrol pumps are proposed to be set up; and

(c) whether applications have been invited for allotting the petrol pumps ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) and (b). The Oil Industry has included the following locations for development of Retail Outlets (petrol/diesel) in its Marketing Plan for 1985-86. The industry's Marketing Plan for 1986-87 has not yet been finalised.

Name of the district	Name of the location
Azamgarh	Bhitariganj (Billarganj); Bhabanshtan, Kighung, Maharajgang, Sarai Meer.
Ballia	Nil
Ghazipur	Nil
Jaunpur	Naopedwan Bazar, Mariahu- Shitalganj Rd.
Gorakhpur	Pakhandi Jungle, Ghugli, Mithora, Pipiganj, Thudhi Bari, Purandar Pur, Khajni, Pali.

(c) Out of the above 14 locations, industry has already invited applications in respect of 4 locations. The applications for the remaining locations will be invited shortly.

**Construction of Houses in Azamgarh for
Employees Working in P and T
Department**

1480. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government accommodation is not available to employees working in Posts and Telegraphs Department in Azamgarh district, U.P.;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to construct houses for them there during the next three years; and

(d) if so, whether the land has been acquired and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) No Sir. One number type I and 2 nos. type II quarters are available.

(b) More quarters could not be provided due to non-availability of land.

(c) Yes, Sir subject to availability of land.

(d) Suitable land is being searched. The District Authorities have also been approached for this purpose.

**Modernisation of Thekma Telephone
Exchange of Azamgarh District**

1481. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether sanction has been accorded for the modernisation of Thekma Telephone Exchange in Azamgarh district in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the time by which modernisation of this telephone exchange will be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) No, Sir. However there is a proposal to replace the existing exchange unit by a new one of the same type.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.