

although sanctioned since years are not being implemented on account of economy measures ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the number of such projects awaiting implementation, with details ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) to (c). No, Sir. This is not so. Upto January 1984 the programme of opening of post offices/upgradation of post offices wherever justified according to the prescribed norms has by and large been implemented. However, due to the imposition of ban on creation of posts which came into force in January, 1984, some of the approved proposals could not be implemented.

The number of proposals for opening of post offices which were earlier approved but could not be given effect to is 168. The number of proposals for upgradation of post offices which could not be implemented is 73. This figure however, does not include Madhya Pradesh, North Western, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Kerala Circles. The information in respect of these postal circles is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[*Traslation*]

**Introduction of Microwave System for Telephone Exchange at Phaphamau in Uttar Pradesh**

3198. SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to introduce micro-wave system for the telephone exchange at Phaphamau (Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh) so that the said exchange may function smoothly ;

(b) whether it is a fact that STD facility is not available at Phaphamau Telephone Exchange ;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(d) whether a fool proof arrangement would be made to obviate the difficulties of subscribers there ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Due to limitation of resources only the District Headquarters not yet provided with STD facility and larger Telephone Exchanges of more than 1000 lines Capacity as on 1-4-85 have been given priority. STD service to Phaphamau Telephone Exchange can be considered after meeting Priority requirements.

(d) The existing arrangement of booking Trunk Calls with Allahabad exchange is considered adequate for a small exchange like Phaphamau.

[*English*]

**Mobile Telephones to Subscribers in private and Government Sectors**

3199. DR. T. KALPANA DEVI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a sophisticated electronic exchange was recently set up in New Delhi with a capacity of 100 mobile telephone lines to be given to subscribers in both the private and Government sectors ;

(b) if so, the number of mobile telephones given each to the private subscribers and the Ministers and Government Departments ; and

(c) the total expenditure incurred in the project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) Yes, Sir. A 100 line mobile radio telephone system has been set up in Delhi.

(b) The number of mobile telephones provided to private subscribers is 24 and to Ministers and Government Departments is 17, as on 13.3.86.

(c) The total expenditure incurred on the mobile radio system is approximately Rs. 1.23 crores.