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sale of motor cars manufactured by them in foreign countries;

- (b) whether India has expertise to produce such cars which could be sold in foreign countries; and
- (c) if so, steps taken by Government to encourage setting up of such car units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVE-LOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM):
(a) There is no internationally reputed indigenous manufacturers of passen ger cars in South East Asian region.

- (b) Yes Sir.
- (c) Maruti Udyog Ltd. are negotiating with East European and neighbouring countries for export of Maruti cars.

Disposal of application for industrial licences from States

- 693. SHRI V. S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any time limit has been prescribed for the disposal of applications for industrial licences and letters of intent received from the States;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of applications received from Kerala during 1985-86 and the number disposed of?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVE-LOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The time limit for composite applications, including these from MRTP companies, is ninety days while for other applications sixty days has been laid down.

(c) During the period 1985-86, 48 Industrial Licence applications were received under the provisions of Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951 for the

graint of letters of intent for locating industries in Kerala State. Out of these, 45 were disposed of.

Manufacture of nylon by Petrofil

- 694. SHRI K. KUNJAMBU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any proposals before the Ministry to set up a unit of Petrofil in Kerala to manufacture nylon; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

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

(b) Does not arise.

Amount spent on oil exploration in Kerala

- 695. SHRI K. KUNJAMBU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) the total amount spent on oil exploration in the Kerala region so far;
- (b) whether the work done there so far has yielded any positive result; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI): (a) About Rs. 13 crores upto March 31, 1986.

(b) and (c). No hydrocarbon discovery has so far been made in this area.

[Translation]

Lok Adalats in Bihar

696. SHRI KALI PRASAD PANDEY: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state;

- (a) the number of Lok Adalats held in Bihar so far:
- (b) the number of cases disposed of at each place; and
- (c) the effect of these Lok Adalats on the work-load of other courts there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): According to the Committee for implementing Legal Aid Schemes:

- (a) Six (up to 25.5.1986) Lok Adalats were held in Bihar.
- (b) In all, 4887 cases have been disposed of by these Lok Adalats.
- (c) The results achieved so far show that they would be able to lighten the burden of the Courts to a considerable extent.

Waiting list for telephone connections in Bihar

- 697. SHRI KALI PRASAD PANDEY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) the category-wise number of applicants on the waiting list for telephone connections in each district of Bihar;
- (b) the time by which telephone connections will be provided to them;
- (c) whether Government propose to make any special arrangement during the current year in this regard; if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the hurdles being faced by the Government in providing telephone connections to all the applicants within this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) The waiting list for telephone connections, category-wise in each District of Bihar is given in the statement given below.

(b) The present waiting list is likely to be cleared progressively by the end of 7th Five Year Plan except at Patna.

- (c) There are proposals to increase the switching capacity by 4,980 lines and to provides 4,000 Telephone Connections during 1986-87.
- (d) Adequate switching equipment, cables and funds are not available to meet the full demand for telephone connections during the current year.

Statement Waiting list in Districts of Bihar as on 30-6-1986

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Sl. No.	Name of District	O.Y.T.	Non- OYT	Total
1. Dhanbad		91	635	726
2.	Begu Sarai	2	42	44
3.	Gaya	•••	219	219
4.	Hazaribagh	7	101	108
5.	Gumla	•••	11	11
6.	Singhbhumi	87	1024	1111
7.	Muzaffarpur	188	404	592
8.	Bhagalpur	3	41	44
9.	Siwan	•••	21	21
10.	Deogar	•••	51	51
11.	Nalanda	•••	80	80
12.	Purnea	•••	18	18
13.	Palamu	•••	23	23
14.	Bhojpur	•••	10	10
15.	Patna	258	5346	5604
16.	West Champarat	ı	41	41
17.	Ranchi	•••	1104	1104
		636	9171	9807

The waiting list in remaining Districts is 'NIL'.

[English]

Manufacture of push button telephones by I. T. I., Bangalore

698. SHRI E. AYYAPU REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state;