

Pending applications for LPG connections in Rajasthan

2402. SHRI SHANTI DHARIWAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for LPG connections pending in Rajasthan as on 30-6-1987;

(b) the number of applications pending for additional LPG connections during the same period;

(c) the number of such applications pending in Kota; and

(d) the time by which all such applications are expected to be disposed off?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHMA DUTT): (a) and (c). As on 30 June, 1987, a total number of about 95,900 applications for LPG connections were pending in Rajasthan, out of which 7,200 applications were pending in Kota;

(b) Except for 160 applications pending at Udaipur, the second cylinder is being released across the counter in Rajasthan;

(d) Release of LPG connections is made subject to factors such as product availability, availability of bottling facilities, etc. The Oil Industry has also taken steps to commission several new distributorships wherever necessary, with a view to expediting release of LPG connections.

Shifting of R.M.S. Offices in Andhra Pradesh

2403. SHRI V. TULSIRAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of R.M.S. offices shifted in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the extent to which the mail bags were delayed for a number of days due to closure and/or shifting of these offices; and

(c) the steps taken to set the working on proper footing and avoid harassment to the common public?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Only the office has been shifted in Andhra Pradesh in the last three years. The name of the office is Nirmal Sorting in Adilabad District, which was shifted to Mancherial in the same District on 15.6.1987.

(b) Apart from the shifting of the office in para (a), 18 other sorting offices were closed during the period. No case of delay to mails has come to the notice as a result of shifting/closure of Mail offices, except in the case of one office viz., Chirala Sorting office was subsequently reopened

(c) Transit of mail is constantly reviewed and monitored at different levels in the department. Wherever delay is noticed, corrective measures are taken.

Connecting of Mahboobnagar with Telex Services

2404. SHRI V. TULSIRAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an application for connecting Mahboobnagar district of Andhra Pradesh with Telex Service has been received by the Hyderabad Telecom, District; and

(b) if so, when it will be connected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b). An application has been received for a long distance telex connection from Hyderabad District of Mahboobnagar. The