

during the last three years in Bihar by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission are as follows:—

Year	No. of plants set up
1984-85	2018
1985-86	1413
1986-87	489 (Provisional)

(b) A sample survey of 20% of the plants set up by the KVIC in 1985-86 in Bihar covering 348 plants showed that 85.05% of the plants were in working order, 14.36% had gone out of order and 0.5% had been closed down.

[English]

**Construction of post office building in Sibsagar (Assam)**

321. PROF. PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has received repeated public demands for construction of a new Post Office building at the district headquarters and growing oil-town of Sibsagar (Assam); and

(b) if so, what concrete steps have been taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir. There have been demands for reconstruction of Head Post Office Building at Sibsagar in Assam.

(b) The reconstruction of Sibsagar Head Post Office building has been included in the Annual Plan for 1987-88. Schedule of accommodation has been released for preparation of preliminary Drawings. Subject to completion of preliminary formalities, reconstruction is expected to commence during the current financial year.

**Crude oil production in Seventh Plan**

322. SHRI SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the crude oil production in the country by the end of the Seventh Plan is expected to fall short of the target;

(b) if so, to what extent and the factors responsible therefor;

(c) the steps taken to improve the situation; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHMA DUTT): (a) Crude oil production target of Seventh Plan is expected to be met.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

[Translation]

**Direct dialling telephone facility from India to Foreign countries**

323. SHRI JAGDISH AWASTHI:  
SHRI SHANTI DHARIWAL:  
SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of countries for which direct dialling telephone facility is available from India at present;

(b) whether neighbouring and South-East Asian countries have been covered under this scheme; and

(c) if so the names of such countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Direct dialling facility from India is available to 26 countries at present.