

Expansion and Modernisation of Vidisha and Raisen Telephone Exchanges

4740. SHRI PRATAP BHANU SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to modernise and expand the capacities of Vidisha and Raisen District Telephone Exchanges in near future; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) (i) Vidisha:- The existing 600 lines Max-II exchange is planned for expansion by 100 lines during 1988-89 and by another 100 lines during 1989-90.

(ii) Raisen:- The existing 200 lines Manual Exchange is planned to be replaced by 300 lines MAX-II exchange during 1989-90.

Production of Coal

4741. CH. RAM PARKASH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the target for the production of coal for the year 1987-88;

(b) whether the target for the year 1986-87 was fully achieved; and

(c) if not, the reasons for the same?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) The target of coal production in 1987-88, Company-wise, is as under:-

(In million tonnes)	
Company	Target in 1987-88
Coal India Ltd.	158.00
Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd.	20.00
Captive Collieries under TISCO/IISCO/DVC	5.50
Total	183.50

(b) and (c). Coal production during 1986-87 has been 165.79 million tonnes. Performance Company-wise has been as given below:-

Company	(In million tonnes)		
	Coal production in 1986-87		
	Target	Actual Production	%ge achievement of target.
CIL	143.50	144.77	100.9
SCCL	18.00	16.58	92.1
Captive Collieries	5.30	4.44	83.8
Total	166.80	165.79	99.4

The target of coal production in 1986-87 could not be fully achieved due to shortfall in Singareni Collieries Company Ltd and Captive Collieries. Shortfall in production in SCCL has been due to loss of production on account of strikes, absenteeism, layoffs, breakdown of machinery, underground fire etc.

Production of Penicillin-V First Crystals

4742. SHRI SIDHA LAL MURMU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the production of Penicillin-V first crystals during the last three years till date in the country;

(b) whether this is sufficient to meet the demand in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for not clearing the imports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R.K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Penicillin V is produced by M/s. HAL for captive consumption only.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Imports are allowed wherever necessary.

National Committee on the Development of Backward Areas

4743. SHRI NARSING SURYAWANSHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high level National Committee on the Development of Backward Areas (NCDBA) headed by Shri B. Sivaraman, was set up to review the working

of various incentives for backward area development; and

(b) if so, what are the further developments in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Pending final decisions on the recommendations of NCDBA, the industrial backward areas were categorised into 3 categories, viz., A, B & C and made eligible for graded rates of Central Investment Subsidy with effect from 1.4.1983. An Inter-Ministerial Committee further set up to review and revise the Central Incentives Scheme has since submitted the report. The decision on the recommendations of the Committee have not yet been taken by the Government. In the meantime the existing scheme has been extended upto 31.1.1988.

Booklet on Services of Posts and Telecommunications Departments

4744. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHOSALE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have published a booklet giving details of services provided by each wing of his Ministry with charges for each such services;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of places where it is available; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to bring out such a publication?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The name of the publication is "Posts & Telegraphs Services Functions