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Radio Station for Osmanabad

1006. SHRI ARVIND TULSHI KAMBLE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposed Radio Station for Osmanabad has started functioning; and

(b) if not, the reasons for delay and when it will start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN- TARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF IN- FORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H.K.L.BHAGAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The reason for delay is attributable to the delay in getting the suitable site by the All India Radio. The proposed radio station at Osmanabad is envisaged to be ready for commissioning during 1990.

Installation of Electronic Telephone Exchange in Osmanabad in Maharashtra

1007. SHRI ARVIND TULSHI KAMBLE: Will the Minister of COMMUNI- CATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether there is any proposal to instal electronic telephone exchange in Maharashtra in near future;

(b) if so, the number and names of these places;

(c) whether Osmanabad will also be one of them;

(d) whether there is also any proposal to expand the present capacity of Osmana- bad exchange; if so, by what time persons on the waiting list are likely to be cleared; and

(e) the progress in the construction of the proposed building to house the extended telephone exchange of Osmanabad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information is given in the statement below.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Additional exchange capacity will be installed during the 8th plan and connections will be given thereafter.

(e) Building construction has not yet been taken up due to paucity of resources.

STATEMENT

Electronic Exchange are Likely to be Set up at the Following Places During the Remaining Part of the 7th Five Year Plan Period

1. Bombay
2. Pune
3. Nagpur
4. Pravarnagar
5. Mahad
6. Pen
7. Thal
8. Shirdi
9. Buldana
10. Karjat
11. Nagothana