

<i>Year</i>	<i>Amount (in crores)</i>
1986-87	Rs. 121.78
1987-88	Rs. 187.21
1988-89	Rs. 268.18

[English]

**Microwave Tower at Raiganj in West Dinajpur District In West Bengal**

2809. DR. GOLAM YAZDANI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether materials for constructing a tower for microwave complex at Raiganj in West Dinajpur district in West Bengal have been transferred to Orissa;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the project for establishing the above microwave complex at Raiganj has been abandoned altogether?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

(c) No, Sir. During the construction of the tower, it collapsed due to a heavy storm. The matter is under investigation and the tower will be reconstructed soon.

**Non-acceptance of Fourth Pay Commission Recommendation**

2810. SHRI SITARAM J. GAVALI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendation of the

Fourth Pay Commission Report contained in para 23.11 has not been accepted by Union Government;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there are certain Departments/Ministries where the induction of Group 'B' officers in Group 'A' is on the basis of percentage of posts;

(d) if so, the name of such Departments/Ministries indicating their percentages in posts; and

(e) the specific reasons for not adopting the same system on Railways too despite Fourth Pay Commission's definite recommendation in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b). After considering all aspects and in consultation with various Ministries/Departments including the Ministry of Railways, it was decided not to increase the promotion quota from Group B to Group A or to have a uniform procedure to relate the promotion quota to the number of posts as recommended by the Commission.

(c) and (d). In the Indian Audit and Accounts Service, 33-1/3% of the posts in the cadre are ear-marked for promotion from Group B to the Junior Time Scale (Group A) of the service. Information relating to other Ministries/Departments is not centrally available.

(e) Since the recommendation of the Pay Commission has not been accepted by the Government, the question of implementing the same in the Ministry of Railways does not arise.