

(d) The following are the main reasons for delay :

- (1) Delay in the completion of the buildings and special environmental conditions required for E-10 B exchanges.
- (2) The delay in the commissioning of E-10-B exchanges for the first time in the country at Worli-III Bombay. Since E-10 B system was introduced for the first time in the country at Worli, it was subjected to stringent acceptance tests and validation tests in order to ensure its smooth adaptation in the network for good performance/service to the subscribers. During the tests, a number of technical problems were encountered and sorted out by incorporating appropriate modifications. After completing the modifications, Worli III exchange was commissioned in April, 1985. The other exchanges are being commissioned progressively making optimum use of the limited number the installation teams, tools and tester.
- (3) Delay due to the installation of the PCM systems and building up of the junction network.

Shortage of Stores and Line Equipment in North-Western Circle

4156. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there was acute shortage of stores and line equipment which are so essential for the installation of telecom. facilities

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the exact stores allocated to the Telegraph Engineering Division and Phones Division in North West Telecom. Circle since 1.4.1985 till date ; and

(c) the steps taken for overcoming the shortage and provide necessary stores for completing the projects stalled on this score or not taken up on this ground ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) There was no general shortage of stores and Line Materials except only GI Wires during 1984-85. The position, however, improved during the last quarter of the year.

(b) Shortage of GI Wires was due to non supply of the materials by some of the firms on whom orders were placed. The quantities of some of the major items of equipment and Lines and wires Stores allotted against I and II quarters of 1985-86. to North Western Telecom Circle and the quantities supplied during the period 1.4.85 to 31.7.85 division-wise is given in the statement below.

(c) The allotted quantities of stores are being supplied progressively. For North Western Telecom. Circle, arrangements have been made for early supply of GI Wires and stalks.

Statement

ITEM	HEMILTON TUBES	SOCKETS	BRACKETS 4W	STALKS	WIRES GI	SAX'S
Ist & 2nd Qr. allotment 1985-86 issued for NW Circle.	21470	10458	9712	42692	140 MT	27 (Full Year)

S. No. Divisions

Supplies Received Division wise from 1. 4. 85 to 31. 7. 85.

1. Simla	1085	424	1248	4174	7564 Kg.	2
2. Dharamshala	1220	936	860	5960	10860 "	2
3. Surajpur	681	407	652	3440	1960 "	—
4. Patiala	1027	536	450	17413	4372 "	—
5. Moga	232	86	100	2000	—	—
6. Pathankot	288	266	—	3838	665	—
7. Amritsar	7	398	—	3266	—	1
8. Jullunder	306	154	365	8912	10584 "	1
9. Bhatinda	—	162	—	2948	3135 "	—
10. Sangrur	349	541	243	2156	—	—
11. Karnal	229	350	226	3469	395 "	—
12. Hissar	1858	1003	1263	7390	13695 "	—
13. Rohtak	121	104	125	1114	900 "	—
14. Ambala (Phones)	—	—	—	209	—	—
15. Ambala (Telegraphs)	757	101	180	8252	4350 "	—
16. Gurgaon	430	407	404	610	2000 "	—