

संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री नरहरि प्रसाद सुखदेव साई) : (क) जी हां, विभिन्न काडरों के लिए कई विभागीय पदोन्नति समितियां हैं।

(ख) जी हां, आमतौर पर विभागीय पदोन्नति समितियों की वर्ष में एक बार या इसी प्रकार बैठकें होती हैं बशर्ते कि खाली जगहें उपलब्ध हों।

(ग) राजस्थान सकल और जयपुर टेलीफोन जिले की समितियों की बैठक नियमित रूप से होती रही है।

(घ) कृपया अनुबन्ध (क) और अनुबन्ध (ख) देखें। [पत्रालय में रखे गए। देखिए संख्या एल टी 1076/77]

(ङ) जी हां।

Representation Re. Telephone complaints from Dombiwali, district Thana, Maharashtra

692. SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a written representation regarding telephone irregularities from Dombiwali, District Thana (Maharashtra) has been received by Government in the month of September or October, 1977; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in that regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEO SAI): (a) and (b). Yes Sir. A Written representation was received by General Manager, Telecommunications, Maharashtra Circle, Bombay, on 21-9-1977, from M/s. Bombay Papers, MIDC, Dombiwali, subscriber Telephone No. 2231, regarding working of the said telephone connection. The faults have been rectified and reply has been sent to the party.

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Telephone complaints from residents of Ulhasnagar town, district Thana, Maharashtra

693. SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are numerous complaints of various nature from the residents of Ulhasnagar Town, district Thana, Maharashtra regarding the telephones of the town for the last two years or so; and

(b) what action Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEO SAI): (a) Several complaints have been received from Ulhasnagar Exchange subscribers. Prompt action was taken to remove the faults. However, the main demand from Ulhasnagar Subscribers is for replacement of existing manual exchange by auto exchange and provision of STD service to Bombay.

(b) Requisition for land for constructing new building for auto exchange at Ulhasnagar has been placed with local Revenue authorities. Plot earlier earmarked for P&T is said to have been unauthorisedly occupied. Case has once again been taken up with the State Government for allotment of a suitable plot to Posts & Telegraphs.

Grievances of Postal Employees at Thana (Maharashtra)

694. SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the District and Circle authorities of the Posts and Telegraph Department have been drawn to the monthly publica-

tions for the months of July, August and September, 1977 published by Postal Employees organisation class III of Thana (Maharashtra) wherein the organisation has given vent to its various grievances and difficulties;

(b) if so, what action has been taken by the authorities concerned; and

(c) if no action has been taken, the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEO SAI): (a) Yes, please.

(b) Some of the grievances mentioned therein relate to All India issues which have already been taken up by the All India Unions and are under various stages of examination. Some of the local issues have been settled and the rest are looked into.

(c) Does not arise.

Copper Plant in M. P.

695. SHRI PARMANAND GOVINDJIWALA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is not a fact that in May-June, 1975 the Russian experts submitted a report to the Government to establish a copper plant in Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): (a) Soviet experts had submitted the Detailed Project Report for Malanjkhand Copper Project in Madhya Pradesh, in two

instalments, in January, 1975 and in January, 1976.

(b) The salient features of the report are given in the Statement attached.

Statement

Salient features of the Detailed Project Report on the Malanjkhand Copper Project, prepared by the Soviet Consultants are given below:—

(1) This project is likely to cost Rs. 91.90 crores.

(2) This will be the first large-sized open pit mine in hard rock in the country. Mining will be fully mechanised, and will employ heavy earth-moving equipment.

(3) The development of the mine envisages a Preparatory period of 16 months, after which the actual mine construction work will commence.

(4) The ore production of 1 million tonnes per annum (15,200 tonnes of metal equivalent) will be achieved during the fourth year from the start of construction. It will be increased to 2 million tonnes (23,000 tonnes of metal equivalent) in the sixth year from start of construction of the mine.

(5) Apart from the mine, there will be a concentrator plant to treat 2 million tonnes of ore annually. The construction of the concentrator will be for treating 1 million tonnes of ore per annum in the first phase, to be increased later to 2 million tonnes.

(6) The concentrates will be transported from Malanjkhand to the Khetri Smelter.

(7) The project is expected to provide employment to around 1860 persons at full operation stage.