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4वें 1978-79 के दौरान टेलीफोन कनेक्शन देने का अस्थाई कार्यक्रम

एक्सचेंज का नाम	वर्ष 1978-79 की शेष अर्धवर्ष के दौरान दिये जाने वाले संभावित नये टेलीफोन कनेक्शनों की संख्या
शाहदरा पूर्वी	400
शाहदरा	500
कनाट प्लेस	800
खोरबाग	2200
हीजबास	2000
शोबला	1400
कनपथ	200
राजपथ	500
सचिवालय	100
करौलबाग	500
राक्षी गार्डन	350
बाणक्यपुरी	350
नेहरू प्लेस	600
ईदगाह-II	500
योग :	10,400

(ख) अगस्त, 1978 से जून, 1978 तक दिये गए टेलीफोन कनेक्शनों की अनुमानित संख्या 5000

High Birth Rate

729. SHRI SURENDRA BIKRAM:
SHRI AMAR ROY
PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government have taken since March 1977 or propose to take now to stop the existing high rate of child birth in the country leading to population explosion; and

(b) why the entire Family Welfare Department has been put out of gear with the result the population is multiplying posing serious threats to the nation in the years to come?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) and (b). The Family Welfare Programme is now being pursued as an integral part of a comprehensive policy covering education health, maternal and child care, women's rights and nutrition. It is the policy of the Government that no compulsion or coercion will be allowed to vitiate the programme. Intensive educational and motivational drives have been launched and particular attention is being given to the improvement of maternal and child health services particularly in the rural areas. Arrangements for free and easy availability of advice and services for contraception have been made in all parts of the country. Improvement of maternity service facilities in the rural areas is receiving particular attention under the Dais Training Scheme.

Due to the serious set back received by the programme due to happenings during the period of emergency and also the performance achieved during the initial years of the Fifth Five Year Plan, the original target of bringing down the birth rate to 30 per thousand by 1978-79 has been deferred to the year 1982-83. In order to achieve this objective by 1982-83, an operational

programme of 25 million voluntary sterilisations, 5 million IUD insertions and enrolment of an annual average of 5 million contraception users has been worked out for the next five years. The State Governments and other concerned agencies have been requested to ensure the achievement of performance levels which have been indicated for different methods of contraception and for various components of the Maternal and Child Health.

In addition to the revitalisation of the field machinery available for the implementation of the programme in the States, the involvement of voluntary organisations and institutions in the organised labour sector is being increasingly assured through a co-ordinated programme.

The Government are sparing no efforts to revitalise the programme.

Manufacturing of Ayurvedic Medicines from Herbs

730. SHRI T. S. NEGI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the herbs produced in hills are taken away to plains to manufacture Ayurvedic medicines;

(b) if so, why could not the Ayurvedic medicines Laboratories be located in hills; and

(c) are there any disincentives to industrialists which found them to establish such factories in plains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) Medicine herbs grow both in hills and plains. As most of the manufacturing units are located in the plains, large quantities of herbs collected from the hills find their way to these units.

(b) Ayurvedic pharmacies are located both in hills and in plains. However, as the facilities required for setting up a manufacturing unit are easily available in the plains, most of these

pharmacies are located in the plains. The Central Government have registered a Company known as the Indian Pharmaceutical Corporation Limited to manage a Central Pharmacy for Indian medicines at Rani-khet. The Central Council for Research in Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy has established a research unit at Tarikhet in Uttar Pradesh to deal with drug research.

(c) No.

Number of Telephone Connections and Applications Pending

731. SHRI RAMANAND TIWARY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of telephone connections working in the country at present;

(b) the total number of applications pending as on 30th June, 1978, State-wise;

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken to provide telephone connections to all the applicants within one year;

(d) the dates and Registration Nos. upto which Telephone connections have been provided in Delhi Telephone District, Exchange-wise as on 30-6-78; and

(e) the number of telephone connections to be provided in Delhi Telephone District, Exchange-wise, during the remaining part of the year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEO SAI): (a) The total number of working connections (Direct Exchange Lines) as on 31-5-78-1735149.

(b) The total No. of applications pending as on 31-5-78 is 202694. State-wise break up of pending waiting list is given in Statement I laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library See No. LT-2428/78]. Information as on 30th June, 1978 is not yet available.