

Kashmir

4435. SHRI P. M. SAYEED

SHRI M. V. CHANDRA-SHEKHARA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pakistan President as reported in the 'Hindustan Times' dated 28-11-78 that unless the Kashmir issue is solved any headway in other fields in Indo-Pak relations would not prove fruitful and meaningful;

(b) if so, the reactions of the Union Government; and

(c) whether any clarification have been sought?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Government's position on the question of State of Jammu and Kashmir is well-known. Government's policy of normalisation of relations with Pakistan is based upon its readiness to co-operate in the growth of bilateral relations to the extent Pakistan is willing to go. Government recognise that any acceleration and further development of our relations can be possible only with the consent of both the countries.

World Bank Loan for Telecommunication Project

4436. SHRI A. R. BADRI-NARAYAN:

SHRI M. V. CHANDRA-SHEKHARA MURTHY.

SHRI R. V. SWANMINATHAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has sought another \$ 100 million loan from the World

Bank for the 1978—83 Telecommunication plan;

(b) if so, whether this is in addition to the 120 million which the World Bank has already agreed for the first three years of the plan;

(c) the reasons for asking additional loan of \$ 100 million; and

(d) the reaction of the World Bank on that request made by India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEO SAI): (a) to (d). An agreement for a loan of \$ 120 million known as the 7th Telecommunication Loan for the development of telecommunications was signed on 19th June, 1978 and has come into effect from 30th October, 1978. This partially covers the foreign exchange requirements for the first three years of Telecom. Development plan 1978—83.

The Government have not made any further request for assistance for Telecommunication Project from the World Bank Group since then.

परिवार नियोजन कार्यक्रम के लिये विदेशी सहायता

4437. श्री राजेन्द्र कुमार शर्मा : क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या परिवार नियोजन कार्यक्रम को दृढ़ता से क्रियान्वित करने के लिए कुछ विदेशी आर्थिक सहायता मिलने की आशा है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उन देशों के नाम क्या हैं तथा किस किस की सहायता मिलने की आशा है ; और

(ग) उपर्युक्त सहायता को उपयोग करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा की गई कार्यवाही का ब्यौर क्या है ?

स्वास्थ्य तथा परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव) : (क) से (ग) . इस समय हम परिवार कल्याण कार्यक्रम की कुछ