

### Setting up of Aromatic Project

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18.	Ballabgarh (88) . . .	452
19.	Shakti Nagar (71, 74) . . .	3813
20.	Delhi Cantt. (39) . . .	1811
21.	Karol Bagh (56, 58) . . .	10084
22.	Rajouri Garden (59) . . .	4267
23.	Alipur (801) . . .	28
24.	Badli (802) . . .	208
25.	Janakpuri (803) . . .	980
26.	Bahadurgarh (83) . . .	120
27.	Najafgarh (86) . . .	46
28.	Nangloi (87) . . .	137
29.	Narela (89) . . .	52
	Total . . .	47393

### Automatic Telephone Exchange in Gaya

802. SHRI RAM SAROOP RAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to set up automatic telephone exchange in Gaya; and

(b) if so, by what time the scheme is going to materialize and why it is being delayed?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI C. M. STEPHEN):

(a) and (b). The Department is keen to set up an automatic exchange in replacement of the manual exchange at Gaya as at other similar stations. However due to acute shortage of auto-exchange equipment it may not be possible to do so for sometime. Action is being taken to step up production of automatic exchange equipment in the country. Taking this into account it may be possible to plan an automatic exchange at Gaya by 1983-84.

803. SHRI G. M. BANATWALLA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation has submitted any application to Government for a letter of intent for the Aromatic Project nearly a year ago, i.e. in February, 1979;

(b) what special features have been put forward in favour of locating the Aromatic Complex at Cochin; and

(c) the decision of Government thereon; and if no decision has yet been taken, when it is expected to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation has claimed that their proposal has several favourable features such as availability of existing processing facilities in the Cochin Refinery which goes to reducing the cost of the project, ready availability of power at cheap rates and water, availability of adequate land and well developed infrastructure facilities and absence of pollution constraints.

(c) Government are appointing a Committee which will suggest locations for new aromatics projects. The Committee will also look into the special features claimed for the Cochin project.

### Functioning of Dacca Telephone Exchange, Bihar

804. SHRIMATI RAMDULARI SINHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Dacca Exchange of Bihar is not efficiently functioning for last several years; and if so, since when, and the reasons thereof.

(b) how many Public Call Offices are expected to operate on this exchange if it is brought back to working order;