

(iii) In view of the general rise in production costs, an increase of 20 per cent of DAVP rates was allowed with effect from 1-10-81.

#### Opening of Branch Post Offices

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

(a) the number of B.P.Os(i) sanctioned (ii) opened in the country, circle-wise (State-wise for multi-State Circles) during the financial year 1981-82 and the current financial year (up to date) separately;

(b) whether any targets in the form of quota or fixed number of each Circles/ State have also been fixed for 1982-83;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what is the number of proposals pending for sanction and opening but which could not be opened in 1981-82 as they were beyond the quota allotted for each State, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA):

(a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The number of rural post offices proposed to be opened in the country, Circle-wise, under Annual Plan 1982-83 is furnished in the attached statement.

(d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### STATEMENT

No. of rural post offices proposed to be opened in the country, Circle-wise under Annual Plan 1982-83.

Name of the Circle	No. of rural post offices proposed to be opened under Annual Plan 1982-83
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1	2
1. Andhra Pradesh	45
2. Bihar	110

1	2
3. Delhi	3
4. Gujarat	45
5. J&K	25
6. Kerala	15
7. Karnataka	50
8. Madhya Pradesh	100
9. Maharashtra	80
10. North Eastern	85
11. North Western	42
12. Orissa	40
13. Rajasthan	55
14. Tamilnadu	40
15. Uttar Pradesh	160
16. West Bengal	55
Held in Reserve	50
TOTAL	1,000

#### बम्बई हाई में उत्पादन लक्ष्य

899. श्री राम सिंह शाक्य : क्या पेट्रोलियम, रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि तेल व प्राकृतिक गैस आयोग वर्ष 1981-82 के दौरान बम्बई हाई में उत्पादन लक्ष्य को प्राप्त नहीं कर पाया; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उक्त कमी के कारणों की जांच कर ली गई है तथा बम्बई हाई में उत्पादन बढ़ाने हेतु क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

पेट्रोलियम, रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री (श्री पी. शिव शंकर): (क) जी हां ।

(ख) वर्ष 1981-82 के दौरान अशोधित तेल के उत्पादन में हुई मामूली कमी, डिप्ल जैक अप रिग की दूरे से प्राप्ति, थोड़ी अवधि के लिए कुछ प्रचालन कठिनाइयों जिनका टैंकरों के लदान पर प्रभाव पड़ा