- (b) if so, the decision of Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the likely date by which a decision would be taken along with the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (c). The proposals are under examination.

Shortage of telecommunication stores (including stalks)

360. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARA-SHAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNI-CATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any positive steps to overcome the shortage of "STORES" in general and the 'STALK9 in particular so as to maintain the speed

of expansion of telecom network in the . country;

- (b) if so, the nature of the steps taken so far and the quantity of each item of Stores and line material issued to each one of the telecom. circles and districts in the country during the first two quarters of the financial year 1982-83 with special reference to the release of 'STALKS'; and
- (c) the date by which the shortage would be wiped out?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (c). There was substantial improvement in the supply of line stores during, 1981-82 in respect of all the items except a few like Stalks and U backs. Various measures have been taken to improve their supplies. The attached statement indicates that there is continued improvement in the supply of line store items.

Statement

Supply position of important line store items

				1980-81	1981-82	1982-83 (upto 31-8 82
I. Hamilton Poles .		•		4,55,600	6,94,300	3,26,000
2. Socket				1,85,500	9,43,000	4,18,000
3. Brackets .				6,61,500	9,20,000	8,42,000
4. Stalks .				6,82,900	12,25,000	6,70,000
5. Iron wire in MT				19,800	43,500	21,550
6. ACSR wire in KM				24,800	92,100	36,690
7. U Back .				6,10,000	6,57,500	2,45,000

New Scheme for electrification of villages in Nadaun and Sujanpur Blocks, Hamirpur District

361. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARA-SHAR: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state;

(a) whether the New Mini Scheme for completing the electrification of left out villages in 442-village Electrification Scheme for the development Blocks of Nadaun and Sujanpur Blocks of Hamirpur Distt. has since been sanctioned by the R.E.C. after its submission by the Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board;

(b) if so, the date on which the scheme was submitted by the Board to the Rural Electrification Corporation and the date on which it has been sanctioned; and