

tection for their existing terms and conditions. The transfer of the undertakings would thus not cause any hardship to the employees concerned."

प्रसारण नीति

2611. श्री रामावतार शास्त्री : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उनके मंत्रालय ने नई प्रसारण नीति तैयार की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) नई नीति तैयार करने के पीछे क्या उद्देश्य है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में तथा संसदीय कार्य विभाग में उप मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

Extension of Telecommunications Facilities in the North-Eastern Region

2612. SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to extend telecommunications facilities in the North-Eastern region, which is the most backward area in the country;

(b) if so, when and the details thereof;

(c) is there any progress made so far;

(d) if so, details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons for the delay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI V. N. GADGIL) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The scheme is already under implementation. The details of the proposed scheme during the 6th Five Year Plan are given below :

<i>Name of the scheme</i>	<i>Number to be added</i>
1. Long Distance Public Telephones.	— 330
2. Telegraph Offices.	— 330
3. Telephone Exchanges	— 60

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The progress made during the first three years of the current plan is given below :

<i>Name of the scheme</i>	<i>Progress made</i>
1. Long Distance public Telephones.	— 80
2. Telagraph offices	— 8
3. Telephone Exchanges	— 42

(e) Does not arise.

Film on the Life of Tipu Sultan

2613. SHRI G. M. BANTWALLA : SHRI SUBHASH YADAV :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to produce a film on the life of Tipu Sultan, a great freedom fighter on the lines of Mahatma Gandhi;

(b) if so, by what time it will be ready for screening; and

(c) financial implications thereof ?