

converted into Government Companies during 1970-80 ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JAGANNATH KAUSHAL) : 96 non-Government Companies Limited by shares were reported during the years 1970-80, to have been converted into Government Companies.

Dealership of Kerosene Oil in Urua Bazar Area of Gorakhpur

3881. SHRI HARIKESH BAHADUR : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been any advertisement regarding dealership for kerosene oil in Urua Bazar of Gorakhpur;

(b) if so, the terms and condition for that;

(c) whether it is a fact that only one person had been called for the interview; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PETROLEUM IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI GARGI SHANKAR MISHRA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) IOC had released an advertisement on 14/15.6.83 for SKO/LDO distributorship at Urua in Gorakhpur (U.P.) under 'Physically Handicapped' category. Following were the salient terms and conditions :—

(i) Candidate should be an Indian National within the age group of 21-50 years on the date of application and possess minimum educational qualification of matriculation or its equivalent.

(ii) He should be a local resident for atleast 3 years in the concerned district and the annual Gross income of his/her parents, spouse and dependent children from all sources should not exceed Rs. 23,000.

(iii) None of the following relations of the candidate should have dealership/distributorship of petroleum product of any oil company in the country :—

Spouse

Father/Mother

Brother/Sister

Son/Daughter

Son-in-law/Daughter-in-law

Parent in-law

(iv) Candidate should operate the dealership as a working dealer.

(v) Candidate should be Orthopaedically Handicapped to the extent of a minimum 40% permanent/partial disability of both upper and lower limbs together etc.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The other three candidates were found in eligible as per laid down criteria. One of them did not furnish certificate of being physically handicapped as proof and the other two were under age on the date of applications.

34th West Berlin International Film Festival

3882. SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN : SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India was conspicuous by its poor presence at the 34th West Berlin International Film Festival, with only one Indian entry to the festival; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT) : (a) and (b) Indian sent the following films for selection in different Sections of the 34th West Berlin International Film Festival :—

Competition Section

1. Khandhar by Mrinal Sen
2. Ardh Satya by Govind Nihalani

Young Fourm

1. Sanakeithal by M.A. Singh

Musical Film Section

1. Dhruvad by Mani Kaul

However, the selection committee of the festival selected only "Dhruvad" for showing in the Musical Film Section.

New Places to be Connected by S.T.D. System in West Bengal

3883. SHRI AMAR ROYPRHDHAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the new places in West Bengal which are proposed to be connected by STD System;

(b) whether there is any time schedule fixed to complete it; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL) : (a) The following new places in West Bengal are proposed to be provided with STD facilities.

1. Suri
2. Midnapur

(b) and (c) The above stations are likely to be provided with STD facilities during the current plan period subject to the timely supply of equipment and stores.

Opening of Post Offices in Cooch-Behar District of West Bengal

3884. SHRI AMAR ROYPRADHAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of new post offices to be opened in the villages of District Cooch-Behar, West Bengal during the current year;

(b) the number of applications received from the villages and other organisations for opening the new post offices and

upgradation of post offices in the villages of District Cooch-Behar and action taken thereon; and

(c) by when all the rural areas in West Bengal will be connected by telecommunication system ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL) : (a) 61.

(b) (I) 33 applications for opening new post offices have been received out of which 18 examined and found justified. 15 new extra departmental branch post offices have been opened during 1983-84 and the remaining one will be considered after the economy orders are lifted. The remaining two will be considered for opening in 1984-85.

The remaining 15 applications are under examination.

(II) 4 applications have been received for upgradation of post offices and are being examined.

(c) Long distance Public Telephones accessible within 5 Kms. in rural area of West Bengal is the policy objective to be achieved by 1990 subject to Technical feasibility, availability of accommodation and stores.

Agreement between Union Government and Government of West Bengal Regarding Haldia Petro-Chemical Complex

3885. SHRI NIREN GHOSH : SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether final agreement has been reached between the Union Government and West Bengal Government as regards Haldia Petro-Chemical complex;

(b) if not, the details of the differences;

(c) the time by which the licence will be given; and

(d) whether delay is not leading to more and more escalation of costs ?