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1984	January		Rs. 2995.00	
	February		Rs. 3175.00	
	March		Rs. 4115.00	
	April		Ŗs. 4305.00	3
	May		Rs. 4800.00	
	June		Rs. 4675.00	
		Total	Rs. 25064.00	

Total Expenditure During 1982, 1983 and 1984 (upto 33,6,1984) : Rs. 1,26,718.90

High Prices of Soda Ash

1355. SHRI MOTIBHAIR. CHAU-DHARY Will the Minister of CHE-MICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to tate the action proposed to be taken by Government in regard to sodium silicate industry's complaint that producers of soda ash are charging highly inflated prices taking advantage of imports having been hut out by heavy incidence of import duty and to make soda ash available at an economic cost?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (SHRI R.C. RATH): Government have already constituted a High Powered Committee for going in detail into various aspects of production, imports, distribution, pricing, etc. of Soda Ash.

Talcher and IB Valley Confields

1356. SARI MANMOHAN TUDU : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

- (a) whether Government have a proposal to bring the Talchar Coalfields and 1B Valley Coalfields in Orissa under the administrative control of one subsidiary company of Coal India Limited;
- (b) whether the head office of the new subsidiary company of Coal India Ltd. is proposed to be located in Orissa;
- (c) the details of the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI DALBIR SINGH); (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Postal and Telecommunication Development Programmes in Orissa

1357. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PAT-NAIK: Will the Minister of COMMUNI-CATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the various Postal and telecommunication development programmes taken up by his Ministry in Orissa during 1983-84;
- (b) the principal development programmes included for the year 1984-85;

(c) the details thereof?

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

Post offices opened (including Sub. Departmental Offices)

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Counter service provided to villages

Letter boxes planted

(ii) TELECOMMUNICATION—

The information is given in statement-I.