

(b) whether objections have been raised by different Scheduled Tribe organisations and individuals to change the mode of programme ;

(c) whether representations were made to make it bi-weekly and also to increase the time ; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) The weekly Santhali programme from Cutcutta station of AIR has been broadcast for a number of years and improvement in its quality is a continuous process.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir. Suggestions for increase in the duration and frequency of this programme have been received from time to time.

(d) It has not been possible to accept these suggestions because of other demands on available broadcasting time.

Yojana Mantri's Trip to U.S.A.

1117. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Will the MINISTER of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether he made a trip to the U.S.A. after he took over the charge of the Yojana Mantralaya ;

(b) whether this trip was in connection with seeking U. S. aid for the Plan ; and

(c) if so, what was the outcome of the trip ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Introduction of Cross Bar Exchange at Coimbatore

1118. SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce Cross Bar Exchange at Coimbatore , and

(b) if so, how soon it will be installed ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAUGUNA) (a) Yes, there is a proposal to instal a 1000 line cross-bar Exchange at Coimbatore.

(b) The installation would be taken up as and when capacity of existing exchanges is likely to get exhausted and demand justifies relief through a second exchange.

Recommendations of Administrative Reforms Commission on Centre-State Relations

1119. SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state what decision has been taken by Government on the recommendations of the Administrative Reforms Commission on Centre-State relations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): The report of the Administrative Reforms Commission on Centre-State Relationships is under examination.

Financial Assistance to Tamil Nadu to Implement Recommendations of State Police Commission

1120. SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu have sought financial assistance for implementing the recommendations of the State Police Commission ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?