## pleased to state:

- (a) whether the telephone holders of Dadri. Sikandrabad Dankaur, Shiam Nagar Mandi in District Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh have got disconnected their telephone numbers as the Telephone Exchanges of these places were not working satisfactorily; and
- (b) the annual income through telephones of these Telephone Exchanges during 1969-70?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) 13 telephone connections at Dadri, Sikandrabad, Dankaur, Siyana and Agarwal Mandi (there is no exchange as Shiam Nagar Mandi) were disconnected on account of non-payment of dues. Only 3 telephones were disconnected in these exchanges on subscribers requests out of which only one gave the reasons as telephone remaining faulty.

(b) Total revenue from he above exchanges during 1969-70 was Rs. 1,00,967.

## Direct Telephone Line between Enlandshahr and Delhi

- 4202. SHRI HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government are intending to make direct telephone line from Bulandshahr of Uttai Pradesh to Delhi; and
- (b) if so, the time by which the direct dialling system will start operating?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNI-CATIONS (SHR1 H N. BAHUGUNA) (a) and (b). No, Sir, not at present. Due to limi.cd ma'erial resources, Government is planning direct dialling in a phased manner on the basis of trunk traffic between different exchanges.

The daily trunk traffic between Bul ndshahr and Delhi for the present docs not justify introduction of direct dialling facility. The Department is, however, constantly reviewing all routes. As and when the traffic between Bulandshahr and Delhi builts up sufficiently, steps will be taken to introduce this facility on this route.

## Project Allowance To P&T Staff at Bhayanagar (Gujarat)

- 4203. SHRI P. M. MEHTA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Project Allowance is given all the Central Government employees where a Project is undertaken;
- (b) if so, whether the staff working in the Posts and Telegraphs Department at Bhavanagar (Gujarat) have not been allowed to draw the Project Allowance;
  - (c) if so, the reasons therefore; and
- (d) the action proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA):
(a) No. Project allowance is not allowed if the Project is located in a municipal area of a classified city and also if project allowance is not sanctioned by the Project authorities for all their staff.

- (b) P&T staff at Bhavanagar have not been allowed to draw Project Allowance.
- (c) Bhavanagar is a municipal area and a classified city.
  - (d) Does not arise.

## Forest Cruiser devised by Central Scientific Instruments Organisution, Chandigarh.

- 4204. SHRI B. R. SHUKLA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether forest cruiser, an instrument for surveying forests, has been devised by the Central Scientific Instruments Organisation, Chandigarh;
- (b) if so, the steps taken to manufacture such instruments on an adequate scale; and