

aspects of the matter. It is not possible to indicate the time by which this examination will be complete.

Installation of Telephone Call Metering Instruments in Subscribers' Homes

*87. SHRI RAMKANWAR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are planning to install telephone call metering instruments in Subscribers' homes ;

(b) if so, by which date the schemes is likely to be implemented ; and

(c) the total financial implications of the scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS, (SHRI H.N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) Yes, Sir ; for recording Subscribers Trunk Dialling System calls only.

(b) A field trial of the charge Indicator meters will be conducted in selected exchanges before mass production of these meters is taken up. It is too early to indicate as to when this scheme is likely to be implemented.

(c) Total financial implications of the scheme can be worked out only after details such as cost of manufacture, etc. are known, which can be assessed only after a trial of the prototypes of these meters. The total costs will also depend upon the likely demand which can be estimated only after the facility has been developed and is offered to the public.

Appointment of Director of Indian Institute of Public Administration

*89. SHRI JAGDISH BHATTACHRYYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the controversy between the I.A.S. officials and the Central Information Service Association over the appointment of the Director of the Indian Institute of Public Administration ; and

(b) the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND

IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDA) : (a) Government are not aware of any such controversy. However, a letter published in the *Times of India* on the 10th April, 1970 and in the *Hindustan Times* on the 14th April, 1970, under the heading "I.I. P.A." in the name of the Vice President of the Central Information Services Association criticising the reported move to appoint an I.A.S. officer as Director on the Indian Institute of Public Administration came to the notice of the Government. No IAS officer was actually appointed as Director of the Institute.

(b) Does not arise.

Corporation for Production Centres in Kerala

401. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Production Centres in Kerala are running on profit ;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to constitute a corporation to run the establishments effectively ;

(c) whether the employees of these Centres have made a representation to Government for fixing their pay ; and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) :

(a) No. Sir. These Centres were established in 1956 with a view to providing training for the educated unemployed in production activities ;

(b) No ; the question of transfer of these Centres to the State Governments or other agencies is under consideration of the Government.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Some of the points made in the representation have been accepted.

Setting up of Telephone Factory in Kerala

403. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI : Will the

Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a technical expert team has visited certain sites in Kerala for establishing Telephone Industrial Factory ; and

(b) if so, the broad outlines of report and action taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H.N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) Yes.

(b) The team has not yet submitted its report to Government.

Eligibility for Assistants outside C.S.S. to appear in Section Officers Examination

404. KUMARI KAMALA KUMARI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Assistants recruited through the Assistants' Grade Examination conducted by the Union Public Service Commission are posted to the Ministries/Departments coming under the C.S.S. and also to the Ministries/Departments which do not come under the C.S.S.

(b) whether the Assistants working in the Ministries/Departments coming under the C.S.S. enjoy the facility of appearing for the Section Officers' Examination conducted by the Union Public Service Commission whereas the Assistants working in other Ministries/Departments do not have the same facility ; and

(c) if replies to parts (a) and (b) above are in the affirmative, whether the Central Government are taking necessary steps to extend this facility to all Assistants recruited through the Assistants' Grade Examination ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRHA) :

(a) to (c). The competitive examinations held by the Union Public Service Commission for recruitment to the Grade

of Assistant are *Combined Examinations* for the Central Secretariat Service and a few other organised services and isolated posts in Departments/ Ministries/Offices not participating in the Central Secretariat Service. The successful candidates are allocated to the various services/posts according to their merit ranking and the preferences expressed by them. After the candidates have joined the Services or the Posts to which they have been allotted, their future promotions are regulated according to the Service Rules framed by the concerned administrative authorities. As far as the Central Secretariat Service is concerned, a proportion of of the posts in the next higher grade of Section Officer are filled through a *Departmental* Competitive Examination limited to the Assistants in Central Secretariat Service. Similar examinations are held by the Union Public Service Commission for corresponding posts of Section Officer in the Railway Board Secretariat Service and the Indian Foreign Service (B), which again are limited to Assistants belonging to those Services. As the examinations are departmental, the question of extending the same to candidates not belonging to that particular Department or Service does not arise. The question of introducing similar examinations in other Services and Posts where such examinations are not held at present, is one for the concerned authorities to decide.

Daltonganj Head Post Office

405. KUMARI KAMALA KUMARI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are only two persons entrusted with the work of telegrams i.e. one for Hindi telegrams and another for English telegrams in Daltongang Head Post Office ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that most people send telegrams in Hindi which are heaped because one man cannot dispose of all Hindi telegrams ; and

(c) if so, the steps Government propose to take to tackle the problem ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H.N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) At present there are three signallers posted in Daltongang out of which two are trained