

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI T. A. PAI): (a) and (b). The Iranian Minister of Industry and Mines called on the Union Minister of Industry and Civil Supplies on 3rd March, 1975. During the discussion the two Ministers explored the possibilities of intensifying cooperation between the two countries in a wide spectrum of industry. The Iranian Minister expressed interest in making maximum use of the surplus capacities available in Indian industry both in the public and private sectors in order to meet the growing requirements of Iran's industrial development.

It was agreed that exchange of visits of expert teams would be very helpful in furtherance of the possible areas of cooperation. The first team that would be deputed from Iran to India shortly would study the possibilities for utilisation of surplus capacities available in India in the areas of machine tools, power generation, transmission and distribution equipment, chemical machinery and equipment and consultancy services.

Setting up of a TV Tower at Panala in Kolhapur District

4912. SHRI NIMBALKAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is intended to put up a T.V. Tower at Panala in Kolhapur district so as to relay Bombay T.V. programmes to southern Maharashtra, Konkan and Karnataka;

(b) whether this project is included in the Fifth Five-Year Plan; and

(c) if so, when is it likely to be completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) No, Sir.

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

Air Postal Links in Gujarat

4913. SHRI D. D. DESAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to link the major and important towns of Gujarat with air postal services during the next financial year; and

(b) if so, the facts thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (DR. SHANKER DAYAL SHARMA): (a) and (b). Ahmedabad, Baroda, Rajkot, Jamnagar, Bhavnagar, and Bhuj are the stations of Gujarat which are linked by air and the services touching these stations are already being used for the conveyance of mails. As and when other stations get connected by air, the question of conveyance of mails by air from and to those places would be considered

पटना में टेलिफोन व्यवस्था :

4914. श्री रामावतार शास्त्री : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या बिहार की राजधानी पटना में टेलीफोन व्यवस्था की गड़बड़ी के कारण उमोक्तान्तों में अत्यधिक असंतोष है ;

(ख) क्या इस बारे में एक कम्युनिस्ट संसद् सदस्य ने उन के पास भारतीय कम्युनिस्ट पार्टी की बिहार राज्य परिषद के मंत्री श्री जगन्नाथ सरकार का एक शिकायत पत्र भेजा है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो दोनों पत्रों का ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(घ) पटना की टेलीफोन व्यवस्था की गड़बड़ी को ठीक करने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ।