

Necessary action to revise the Minimum Wages has also been initiated by the following States/Union Territories:—

- Gujarat
- Tamil Nadu
- Uttar Pradesh
- Delhi
- Goa, Daman & Diu.

S.A.X. Exchanges in North-Western Circle

221. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of S.A.X. Exchanges which have been opened during the current financial year in the North-Western circle and the number of working connections in each case;

(b) the number of exchanges which have been sanctioned but still remain to be installed; and

(c) the likely date by which they would be installed?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS DR. SHANKER DAYAL SHARMA: (a) A list of S.A.X. Exchanges opened during the current financial year together with the number of working connections in each exchange is given below:—

Sl. No.	Name of place	Working connection
1.	Au'	9
2.	Gohar	16
3.	Moti Mandi Israna	15
4.	Ratia	14
5.	Kund	17

(b) Twenty four.

(c) Two exchanges are scheduled for commissioning by the end of the current financial year and the rest on receipt of necessary items of equipment for which action is in progress.

Post Offices and Public Telephone Call Offices

222 SHRI TUNA ORAON:
SHRI A. K. KISKU: .

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Post Offices and Public Telephone Call Offices in the country State-wise as in March 1975; and

(b) the average population and area served by one Post Office in the country. State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (DR. SHANKER DAYAL SHARMA): (a) The number of post offices and public telephone call offices in the country, state-wise, is given in Annexure 'A' and 'B' respectively. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-10034/76.]

(b) The State-wise average of population and area served by each post office in the country are given in Annexure 'A' [Placed in Library. See No. LT-10034/76.]

Man-days lost during 1975

223. SHRI P. M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of man-days lost due to strikes and lock-outs during the year 1975 and how does it compare with the figures of the previous two years; and

(b) the steps Government propose to take to maintain peaceful industrial relations in future?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY): (a) According to the available provisional