

tion as to these amounts has been called for and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha on receipt from the State Government.

Development of Horticulture

476. Shri Rama Chandra Mallick: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of grant or loan given to the Government of Orissa for development of Horticulture during 1962-63; and

(b) the amount proposed to be given during 1963-64?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) The following amounts of loans and grants were given to the Government of Orissa for development of Horticulture during 1962-63:—

Scheme	Central Assisance 1962-63	
	Loan Rs.	Grant Rs.
1. Training of gardeners . . .		18,500
2. Establishment of progeny orchards and fruit nurseries . . .		32,500
3. Estalishment of garden colonies.	50,000	5,500
TOTAL . . .	50,000	56,500

(b) The following estimated amounts are proposed to be given during 1963-64:—

Scheme	Proposed Central assistance during 1963-64	
	Loans Rs.	Grants Rs.
1. Training of gardeners . . .		14,450
2. Establishment of progeny orchards and fruit nurseries . . .		35,340
3. Establishment of garden colonies	3,250
	..	53,040

C.D. Blocks in Orissa

477. Shri Rama Chandra Mallick: Will the Minister of Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state the total amount of money given to the State of Orissa during 1962-63 and 1963-64 so far for the Community Development Blocks in that State?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Community Development and Co-operation (Shri B. S. Murthy): 1962-63.—Rs. 230:50 lakhs on account of Central assistance (Rs. 142:66 lakhs as grant and Rs. 87:84 lakhs as loan).

1963-64.—Central assistance allocated is Rs. 225:30 lakhs (Rs. 135:80 lakhs as grant and Rs. 89:50 lakhs as loan), but actual payment will be made on receipt of expenditure statement from the State Government towards the end of the financial year.

Breakdown of Telephone Communications in Bombay

478. Shri Karni Singhji: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the frequent breakdowns during the rains of telephone communication in Bombay city and the hardships caused thereby;

(b) the causes of delay in repairing breakdowns; and

(c) if so, the steps Government have taken or propose to take to ensure regular service?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) Yes. Breakdowns during rains are comparatively more than those during fair weather.

(b) The failure during the monsoon season are generally on underground cable plants and there is delay in such cases because it is not possible to effect repairs to underground cables during incessant rains.