(ग) सरकार को गंगापुर टेलीफोन केन्द्र से औसतन कितनी मासिक आय होती है ?

संसद्-कार्य विभाग तथा संचार विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री इ॰ कु॰ गुजराल) : (क) आवक 50 और जावक 100 काल ।

(ख) सूचना उपलब्ध नहीं है । सभी कारणों से जैसेव्यक्ति विशेष के उपलब्ध न होने, उत्तर न मिलने, लाइन खराब होने आदि के कारम 50 काल रद्द करनी पडती है ।

(ग) 7,600 रु० (लगभग)।

## आगरा-हिंडौन टेलिफोन लाइन

2082 श्री मोठालाल मीना : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गंगापुर टेलीफोन केन्द्र (राजस्थान) से संबंधित आगरा-हिल्डौन टेलीफोन लाइन प्रायः खराब रहती है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके बारे में क्या कार्य वाही की जा रही है ?

संसद्-कार्य विभाग तथा संचार विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री इ॰ कु॰ गुजरास): (क) आगरा हिण्डीन टेलीफोन लाइन में प्राय: गडबडी होती रहती है।

(ख) इस प्रकार की गड़बड़ी का कारण इस मार्ग पर किये जाने वाला पुनर्निर्माण कार्य है। अब यह कार्य समाप्त हो चुका है और इन लाइनों के कार्य के स्तर में सुधार हो गया है।

Agricultural Credit Corporation in Bihar

## 2083. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA : SHRI MAYAVAN :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 58 on the 14th November, 1967 and state: (a) whether it is a fact that the Bihar State Government and the representatives of Bihar Cooperative Federation have protested against the setting up of Agricultural 'Credit Corporation and demanded the channelising of entire credit for agriculture through the cooperatives; and

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

STATE IN THE MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD. AGRI-CULTURE. COMMUNITY DEVE-LOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY); (a) Some time back the B har Cooperative Federation had urged against setting up of Agricultural Credit Corporation in Bihar. The Government of Bihar have however intimated that they have no objection, in principle, to the setting up of the proposed Corporation.

(b) On receipt of replies from other concerned State Governments, the Government intends to finalise the proposal.

UNDERGROUND LAKE IN U.P. AND BIHAR

2084. SHRI BIBHUTI MISHRA : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AG-RICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the finding of the investigation of water resources of the Upper Gangetic Plain conducted by a U.S. Geological Survey Team, that U.P. and Bihar have the world's largest underground lake;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to undertake any suitable scheme to utilize the water from this underground lake to irrigate lands in U.P. and Bihar; and

(c) if so, the nature and details of the schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRI-CULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVE-LOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) The Government is aware of the existence of rich groundwater resources in the Gangetic Plain of U.P. and Bihar.

(b) and (c). During the Third Five Year Plan, groundwater development schemes such as construction of dug-