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Equipment Purchased by Nagpur Telephones

- 3041. SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Nagpur Telephones have purchased machineries and other equipments during the last three years.
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total expenditure maurred thereon year-wise;
- (c) whether any irregularities have come to the notice of the Government in this regard;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (e) the action taken by the Government thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Donation by PSUs

- 3042. SHRI HARIN PATHAK: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any funds have been donated by the FSUs/Financial Institutions under his Ministry to any Foundation or Institution connected with the late Indira Gandhi/Rajiv Gandhi during the last three years and the current year, so far;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of donations made to other body/voluntary institutions during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA): (a) and (b). Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL), a PSU under the administrative control of Ministry of Steel had donated Rs. 1.00 crore to the Rajiv Gandhi Foundation during the year 1995-96. No other PSU under Ministry of Steel has donated any fund to any foundation or institution connected with the late Indira Gandhi/Rajiv Gandhi during the last three years and the current year so far, as per available information.

(c) The details of donations, as per available information, made by PSUs of Ministry of Steel to other bodies/voluntary institutions during the last three years and current year (till September, 1996) are given in the enclosed statement.

STATEMENT

Name of the PSU	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96 (upto	1996-97 Sept. 96)
1	2	3	4	5
SAIL	166.00	230.27	299.32	Nil
RINL	10.00	Nil	6.50*	5.00

1	2	3	4	5
KIOCL	48.00	22.44	54.57	0.42
NMDC	17.10	5.20	32.86	0.01
MSTC	1.17	Nil	Nil	Nil
MOIL	1.85	**	Nil	0.02
MECON	2.23	2.18	1.42	0.61
FSNL	1.36	Nil	Nil	Nil
BRL	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
HSCL	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
SIİL	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

⁶⁰ tonnes of steel were also donated.

[Translation]

Hospital for Beedi and Cement Labourers

- 3043. SHRI VIRENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that most of the labourers working in Beedi and Cement industry are becoming victims of T.B., Anaemia, Malnutrition and Cancer;
- (b) if so, the estimated number of these labourers, State-wise and the number of labourers died untimely in lack of treatment;
- (c) whether the Union Government propose to open new hospitals to contain diseases in this area; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Travelling under British Airways

3044. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY:
SHRI GANGA CHARAN RAJPUT:
SHRI AMAR PAL SINGH:
SHRI DILEEP SANAGHANI:
SHRI I.D. SWAMI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

- (a) whether it is a fact that two persons reached London sitting in the cabin of a British Airways corgo plane hoodwinking all the security arrangements existed at the Indira Gandhi International Airport;
- (b) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard;
 - (c) if so, the outcome of the said inquiry; and
- (d) the action taken against those persons found guilty therein?

^{**} Rs. 501/- only.

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). An inquiry has been ordered . The report the inquiry is awaited.

Multi Access Rural Radio System

3045. DR. RAM LAKHAN SINGH : SHRI ASHOK ARGAL :

will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of village Panchayats provided with PCO services by the M.A.R.R. system in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years;
 - (b) the amount spent thereon, year-wise;
- (c) whether due to lack of maintenace, majority of telephones are lying dead in Bhind and Morena; and
- (d) If so, the steps taken by the Government to make them perfact?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) The number of village Panchayats provided with PCOs by MARR systems are 4798 in 1993-94, 3050 in 1994-95 and 918 in 1995-96.

- (b) The amount spent for the three years, year-wise is Rs. 5997.5 lakhs in 1993-94, Rs. 3812.5 lakhs in 1994-95 and Rs. 1147.0 lakhs in 1995-96.
 - (c) Only few telephones are faulty.
- (d) The efforts to attend the faults have been increased. Guidelines/Instructions have been issue to the field units to increase the efforts to repair the faults. Procedure for health check and testing of MARR systems has been prescribed.

[English]

Telephone Exchanges in Kerala

3046. SHRI G M BANATWALLA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of telephone exchanges under expansion/modernisation in Malappuram districts of Kerala;
- (b) the details of expansion, additional capacity envisaged, estimated cost, actul capacity addition estimated and the financial allocation made in the current financial year; and
- (c) the time by when the work commenced and the time by which it is expected to be concluded?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) As given in the Statement-I.

- (b) As given in the Statement-II
- (c) The work commenced in April, 1996 and is likely to be concluded by March 1997.

Written Answers

STATEMENT-I

Names of Telephone Exchanges under expansion/ modernisation in Malappuram district of Kerala

SI.No.	Name of Exchange
31.110.	Name of Exchange
1.	Nanjeri
2.	Kottakkal
3.	Malappuram
4.	Tirur
5.	Parappanangadi
6.	Tirurangadi
7 .	Perinthalmanna
8.	Kondotty
9.	Chelari
10.	Tanur
11.	Marancherry
12.	Makara paramba
13.	Mankada
14.	Edapal
15.	Changaramkujam
16.	Melattur
17.	Kadampuzha
18.	Dulamanthole
19.	Ponnani
20.	Thavannur

STATEMENT-II

Details of expansion/additional capacity envisaged/ estimated cost etc. for Malappuram district for the year 1996-97

(i) Total additional capacity Proposed to be installed	(Gross Lines=3238 Lines)
(ii) Total actual additional capacity likely to be added	(Net Lines=20868 Lines)
(iii) Total estimated cost	= Rs. 51.72 crores
(iv) Financial allocation made in the current financial year	= Rs. 474 crores for Kerala Circle. N separate allocation of funds is receive- exclusively for Malappuram distric