

1	2	3	4	5	6
Alloy Steels					
	Bar/Billet	47			UK, Australia
Total	47	12073	7618		
Salem Steel Plant					
Stn Coils/Sheets		6758	11410	7497	USA, Malaysia Australia, Brazil
Total		6758	11410	7497	Canada, Germany, Denmark, Holland, Italy, Hong Kong, South Africa.

[English]

Security Lapses

2550. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-items appearing in the 'Times of India', dated July 12, 1996 captioned "History-Sheeteer exposes gaps in Delhi airport security";

(b) if so, the details and facts thereof;

(c) the action taken against the culprits and the officials for issuing passes to persons of criminal background; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to avoid recurrence of such incidents?

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

(b) Shri Mohinder Singh, Chhote Lal, Lalit Mohan & Harish Chander, employees of M/s Ambassador Sky Chef were arrested by Customs Department for smuggling of gold at Delhi Airport on 11.7.1996.

(c) Photo Identity Cards (PICs) of the culprits have been cancelled. Since the PICs have been issued after police verification, the officers who issued the PICs are not considered guilty.

(d) Instruction for stricter verification of character/ antecedents of applicants have been reiterated.

Non-functioning of Telephone Exchange in Jajpur, Orissa

2551. SHRI ANCHAL DAS : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware of the non-functioning of telephone exchange at Jajpur in Orissa; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken to modernise the telephone exchange keeping in view of its importance?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) and (b). The telephone exchange at Jajpur is functioning satisfactorily. A modern electronic exchange of 1000 lines is already working at Jajpur. It is connected with reliable digital Media with Cuttack TAX.

Expansion of Metro Channel

2552. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to expand Metro channel throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c). Whereas the Metro service of Doordarshan (DD-II) is available throughout the country, via satellite, by using an appropriate dish antenna system, terrestrially the service is being extended initially to State Capitals and major cities in the country in a phased manner depending on availability of resources and inter se priorities. Presently, the service is being relayed terrestrially through 42 transmitters.

New Telephone Exchanges in Goa

2553. SHRI CHURCHILL ALEMAO : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of existing telephone exchanges alongwith the number of subscribers in Goa and capacity thereof;

(b) whether the Government propose to set up new telephone exchanges in Goa; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) The number of existing telephone exchanges in Goa are 65 with equipped capacity of 72512. The total number of subscribers in Goa is 61830.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) It is proposed to open C-DOT 128 Port Exchange at Dabal in Ponda Tahsil during the year 96-97.

Welfare Schemes for SCs/STs in Assam

2554. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the welfare schemes introduced by the Union Government in the backward and tribal areas of Assam for the upliftment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(b) since when the above schemes are being implemented;

(c) whether these schemes have achieved their target;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether periodical review has been conducted in this regard; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) to (d). A statement showing the Welfare schemes for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Assam is attached.

(e) and (f). Periodical review is conducted every year by the Ministry of Welfare, Planning Commission and also by the Standing Committee of Parliament on Labour and Welfare. Implementation of Scheme was recently reviewed in the Conference of State Ministers incharge of the development of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes held at New Delhi on 2-3 Feb., 1996 and also with State Secretaries on 29.6.1996.

STATEMENT

Statement showing the details of the welfare schemes for ST/STs in Assam

Name of the Welfare Schemes	Since when the schemes in being implemented	Target and Achievements
1	2	3
SCHEDULED CASTES DEVELOPMENT DIVISION		
1. Coaching and Allied	1969	Rs.1993 lakhs were released. No. of SC/ST students appeared in I.A.S. in 1995-96 = 135
2. Boys Hostel for Scheduled Castes	1989-90	Rs. 9 lakhs during 1995-96 for 19 Hostels
3. Girls Hostel for Scheduled Castes	Third Five Year Plan	Rs. 9 lakh during 1995-96 for 16 Hostels
4. Book Banks for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes	1978-79	Rs. 3 lakhs were released during 1995-96
5. Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students	1994-95	Rs.625.985 lakhs were released for 1,45,814 (Provisional) students of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes during 1995-96.
6. Pre-Matric Scholarship for the Children of those engaged in unclean occupation	1977-78	Out of Rs.13 lakh each released during 1990-91 and 1991-92, there is an unspent Central assistance with the State Govt. of Assam. The No. of beneficiaries covered in 1995-96 are 1612.
7. Protection of Civil Right Act, 1955 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities)	1976-77 1990-91	Rs. 2.50 lakhs have been released during 1995-96 1995-96.
8. Liberation & Rehabilitation of Scavengers	1992	(1) No. of persons identified = 6,873 (2) No. of persons trained during 1994-95 = 37 (3) No. of persons rehabilitated = 61