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46.	Nandore Percolation Tank, Thane	9.00 ha.
47.	Kopripada Minor Irrigation Scheme, Thane	12.71 ha.
48.	Surya Project, Thane	1095.3940
49.	Minor Irrigation Tank Shrlgaon, Raigad	27.17 ha.
50.	Nandgaon Water Supply Scheme, Raigad	28.5650
51.	Lal Nala Project, Wardha	29.83 ha.
52.	Bhagwanpur Minor Irrigation Tank, Gadchiroli	47.98 ha.
53.	Karnikhada Lift Irrigation Scheme, Gadchiroli	36.095 ha.
54.	Krishna River Irrigation Project, Satara	19.702 ha.
55.	Minor Irrigation Tank, Arjuni, Bhandara	7.67 ha.
56.	Alesur Minor Irrigation Tank, Bhandara	10.27 ha.

Literacy Drive

771. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHAUDHARY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the names of districts so far not covered under the Total Literacy Campaign (TLC) and the reasons therefor; and

(b) the steps being taken by the Government to bring the remaining districts under the TLC?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : (a) list indicating the names of districts not yet covered under total literacy campaigns is attached as Statement. Coverage of a district under total literacy campaign depends on its preparedness to launch the campaign, support of State Government, and submission of viable project proposals to the National Literacy Mission.

It has not been possible to launch TLCs in some of the remote and disturbed areas of the country.

(b) The National Literacy Mission propose to cover the uncovered districts under TLC during the Ninth Five-Year Plan, subject to submission of viable project proposals by the concerned districts/States and availability of funds. The concerned State Governments have been advised to prepare time-bound action plans in this regard.

Statement

List of Districts so far not covered under the total Literacy Campaigns

STATE/DISTRICTS

Arunachal Pradesh

Changlang

Dibang valley

East Kameng

East Siang

Upper Siang

Lohit

Lower Subansiri

Papum-Pare

Tawang

Tirap

Upper Subansiri

West Kameng

West Siang

Assam

Dhemaji

Karbi Anglong

Bihar

Bokaro

East Champaran

Gaya

Gumla

Garhwa

Koderma

Lohardagga

Muzaffarpur

Nawada

Pakur

Sitamarhi

Sheohar

Lakhisarai

Shekhpura

Patna
 Purnea
Jammu & Kashmir
 Anantnag
 Badgam
 Baramula
 Doda
 Kargil
 Kupwara
 Pulwama
 Punch
 Srinagar
Manipur
 Bishnupur
 Chandel
 Imphal
 Senapati
 Tamenglong
 Thoubal
 Ukhrul
Meghalaya
 South Garo Hills
Nagaland
 Kohima
 Mokokchung
 Mon
 Pheu
 Tuensang
 Wokha
 Lunneboto
Orissa
 Jaipur
Punjab
 Kapurthala
Sikkim
 East
 West
 North
 South
U.T. of Andaman & Nicobar Islands
U.T. of Daman & Diu
 Diu
U.T. OF Lakshadweep

[Translation]

Foreign Tours

772. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned, 'Adhikarion Ne Ki Ek Sal Mein So Se Jyada Videshi Yatrayain' appearing in the *Dainik Jagran* dated May 6, 1998;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the period from 01.04.1997 to 31.3.1998, there were a total of 200 visits abroad by Department of Telecommunication Officials. Details all given in the enclosed statement.

(c) Proposals of Visits abroad are critically examined in the commission at the level of Advisors, Members, Chairman and Hon'ble Minister of Communications and only minimum essential visits are permitted. Most of the visits are for fellowships and training offered by International institutions to which India is a member country. Similarly, in International Telecommunication Fora, it is essential to be present to safeguard national interests in the policy matters.

Statement

*Foreign Visits during the period
 1.4.1997 to 31.3.1998.*

1. 50 Visits in all by Chairman (TC), 4 members, 5 Advisors and Additional Secretary (T).
2. 74 Visits in all by Chief General Managers, Sr. DDGs, DDG's, G.M.'s, and Joint Secretary.
3. 49 Visits in all by Director's and DE's.
4. 12 in all by Sr. SDEs and S.D.E.'s.
5. 15 in all by Officers of the Wireless Planning and Co-ordination Wing.

Total : 200

Private Investment in Power Sector

773. SHRI PANKAJ CHOUDHARY : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to states :

(a) whether the possibilities have been explored for joint ventures of private and public sector companies in the hydel power sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?