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Bilaspur project should be linked with river Chambal to have more water in Ramgargh reservoir to supply it to Jaipur.

Matters under

(vii) Need for taking steps to meet the acute drinking water shortage in Bundelkhand (Uttar Pradesh)

SHRI RAM SAJIWAN: (Banda): Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, drinking water problem in the 5 districts of Banda, Hamirpur, Jhansi, Lalitpur and Jalaun of Bundelkhund region in Uttar Pradesh has become quite grim. Wells, tanks, ponds, rivers and rivulets in that region have dried up. People have left their houses and are running helter skelter in search of water. The Central Government has not provided adequate financial assistance to the Uttar Pradesh Government to meet its acute shortage of drinking water. The State Government is unable to solve this problem by making temporary and permanent schemes with its own resources. To combat this great natural calamity the Central Government should take initiative and provide them financial and technical assistance with the formulation of temporary and permanent drinking water schemes. A large number of hand-pumps and tubewells should be provided there. On humanitarian grounds, this work should be given top priority.

There is a great discontent and resentment among the general public as no effective action has been taken to solve the acute shortage of drinking water there.

Therefore, immediate steps should be taken in this regard.

(vili) Need for replacing the present Chembur Telephone Exchange in Bombay with a new telephone exchange immediately

SHRIMATIJAYAWANTINAVINCHAN-DRA MEHTA (Bombay North East): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, Chembur Telephone Exchange i.e. exchange Code No. 52 is quite old. Despite the transfer of many lines of this exchange to the exchange Code No. "552" and "555" there is still heavy traffic load on this exchange.

As per the present scheduled of the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam, Chumbur Telephone Exchange is proposed to be replaced by a new Telephone Exchange in the year 1991-92. The telephone services in this area are in a very bad shape, so this exchange should be replaced at the earliest i.e. in 1990-91 itself. It is proposed to replace three more exchanges in the Bombay city during 1990-91. There should be some changes in this schedule and the Chembur Telephone Exchange should be given top priority.

Meanwhile the following telephone exchanges and levels should be transferred to the nearest telephone exchanges:—

- Pestom Sagar area should be transferred to Ghatkopar telephone exchange, that is, exchange Code No. "511" or "512".
- Basant Park, Charai and Vijay Vihar area should be transferred to Sunder Apartments, Gulab Park Mankhurd Telephone Exchange, that is, exchange Code No. "556" "555" or "551".
- Chunabhatti area should be transferred to Sayan telephone exchange, that is, exchange Code No. "407" and "48".

I would request the hon. Minister of Telecommunications to take necessary steps in this regard.

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(ix) Need for implementing the Supreme Court Decisions for revising Pensions of Central and State Government employees in Keeping with the revision of pay scales from time to time

SHRI ANBARASU ERA (Madras Central): The senior citizens of India, i.e. pen-