

As regards TV service, a Transposer is envisaged to be commissioned at Mussoorie during 1990-91.

Further improvement of Radio/TV service in Garhwal division would depend upon availability of resources for the future Plans of Radio/TV expansion.

Opening of Bank Branches in Pauri, Chamoli and Dehradun Districts of Uttar Pradesh

5921. SHRI C.M. NEGI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted in Pauri, Chamoli and Dehradun districts of Uttar Pradesh for opening bank branches/extension counters;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of the places, district-wise, where bank branches/extension counters are pro-

posed to be opened during 1990-91;

(c) the reasons for lack of banking system in these districts; and

(d) the steps contemplated to spread a fair banking network there?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) to (d). No special survey has been conducted by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in the Chamoli, Dehradun and Pauri Districts of Uttar Pradesh for opening of bank branches or extension counters. Identification of centres under the Branch Expansion Policy (1985-90) for these Districts was done under the norms for hilly/tribal areas, and under the Service Area Approach to rural lending. As on 31.12.89 (latest figures available), the total number of branches of commercial banks functioning in these three Districts, and the total number of licences still pending for implementation, are as follows:

<i>Districts</i>	<i>Branches functioning</i>	<i>Pending licences</i>
1	2	3
Chamoli	39	7
Dehradun	128	1
Pauri	75	28

The validity period for opening of branches by the concerned banks has been extended till the end of September, 1990. The issue of opening of additional bank branches in the States will be considered after the new Branch Licensing Policy is finalised by the Reserve Bank of India.

Agricultural Loans Advanced by Banks in Madurai Region in Tamil Nadu

5922. SHRI R. MUTHIAH: Will the

Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the amount of loans advanced by the nationalised banks for agricultural and non-agricultural purposes, separately, in Madurai region in Tamil Nadu during the last three years, bank-wise?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): The present data reporting system does not generate the information in all manner asked for. However, overall performance of all commercial banks