adoption of improved agricultural technology.

Shipping Service Between Madras and Singapore

*763. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-CHANDRAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to reintroduce the shipping service between Madras and Singapore;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether there is any proposal to introduce new shipping services between Indian mainland and various islands in South East Asia: and
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the proposed routes?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) and (b). Shipping Corporation of India Ltd has been asked to conduct a feasibility study on reintroduction of the shipping service between Madras and Singapore. A final decision on the reintroduction of this service can be taken only after the feasibility report is received and examined by the Government. Government are also prepared to encourage private sector in organising shipping services between the East Coast of India and Malaysia and Singapore, if the Government receives such proposals.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.

Units for Manufacturing Telecommunications Equipments in Maharashtra

*765. SHRI VASANT SATHE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of proposals for setting up of units for manufacturing of machinery and equipments required by the Telecommunications Department during the Eighth Five Year Plan; and
- (b) the details of locations under consideration in Maharashtra for setting up such units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Following new proposals have been finalised after the formation of Telecom. Commission and are presently under different stages of approval and/or implementation.

Switching Equipment

- ITI will be expanded from the present 15.5 lakh lines per annum to 22.0 lakh lines per annum.
- Eight manufacturers have been identified for producing electronic exchange equipment of C-DOT design into 50,000 lines per annum each.

Transmission equipment

 28 manufacturers have been identified for manufacture of 1 Ch1/10 Ch1/30 Ch1 Radio systems and Multi-access rural radio systems.

Terminal equipments

4. Four manufacturers have been

identified for manufacture of Pay phones.

These are in addition to existing

production units.

(b) The details of the locations in Maharashtra for setting up of such units are given below:

1.	512-Port C-DOT's (MELTRON) —	Aurangabad
2.	512-Port C-DOT RAX (NELCO) —	New Bombay
3	Pay Phones (APLAB) —	Pune
4.	30 Ch1 Digital UHF (MELTRON) —	Nagpur
5 .	3/8 Ch1 open Wire Equipment (Meltron)—	Bombay
6.	Pay Phones (Bombay Telecom Factory)—	Bombay

Cooperatives Covered Under Cooperative Development Programme

*766. SHRI H.C. SRIKANTAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cooperatives covered under Co-operative Development Programme organised by the Karnataka Milk Federation with cent per cent assistance from NDDB during 1990-91;
- (b) the names of co-operatives located in Hassan District;
- (c) the total amount of assistance to be given during 1990-91 for the above programme;
- (d) whether the scheme has been extended to dairy co-operatives all over Karnataka: and
- (e) if not, the time by which it will be extended to all dairy co-operatives in Karnataka?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) The State Plan for dairy development under Operation Flood in Karnataka envisages organisation of about 6300 village level Diary Cooperative Societies (DCS) by March, 1991 (cumulative).

- (b) A Statement indicating the names of DCS located in Jassan District is given below.
- (c) Under OF-III, NDDB has approved for 1990-91 a provision of Rs. 825.21 lakh for the seven appraised milkshed unions of Karnataka including Hassan.
- (d) and (e). All the districts in the State of Karnataka are covered under Operation Flood-III programme

STATEMENT

The names of the Dairy Cooperative Societies (DCS) in Hassan district are given below:

Attavara