cities generate surplus, the Department has to expand the services in rural and backward areas where the income is comparatively less.

2. The increase in tariff became necessary to neutralise the increase in operational and maintenance expenditure and to generate funds to expand and improve the services.

Smoking in DTC Buses

7316. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether commuters in DTC buses are put to great inconvenience due to smoking of cigarettes and bidis by certain commuters and especially the crew members; and
- (b) if so, the strict action proposed to be taken against the erring conductors/drivers etc. and enforce responsibility on the Conductors to ensure that there is no smoking in DTC/DTC operated private buses?

THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) Instance of such nature have been noticed.

(b) DTC have issued instructions to the effect that neither the crew while on the bus should smoke themselves nor allow any passenger to smoke inside the buses. In case of passenger insists on smoking the conductor has instructions to stop the bus till the passenger either stops smoking or leaves the bus. On receipt of specific complaints or reports strict action is taken against the crew who smoke themselves and do not take action to stop smoking by passengers. As per the agreement entered into between private operators and the DTC it is obligatory

on the part of the private operators to abide by the statutory provisions prohibiting the crew and the passengers from smoking.

Development of Fisheries in Orissa

- 7317. SHRI LOKANATH CH-OUDHARY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have received a number of proposals from the Orissa Government for Development of brackishwater Prawn farming, Inland Fisheries Development and Reservoir Fisheries Development with World Bank and Central assistance during last three years; and
- (b) if so, the details of the proposals and action taken thereon so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) and (b). Government of India have been collecting some information on reservoir fisheries and brackishwater prawn farming in Orissa, in order to explore the possibilities of seeking World Bank assistance for future development of Reservoir Fisheries and Brackishwater Prawn Farming in the State.

Installation of Trunk Auto Exchanges and Manual Trunk Boards

7318. SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of achievements made under the long Distance Switching system since 1985-86 in the country especially in the matter of installation of Trunk Auto Exchanges with TAX capacity and Manual Trunk Boards:
 - (b) the places where TAXs have been

installed so far and proposed to installed alongwith the progress made for setting up of such a TAX in Orissa; and

(c) the details of action taken/proposed to be taken to increase the Manual Trunk Board/TAX in Orissa.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Details of achievements made under the long distance switching system since 1985-86 in the country:

STATEMENT

	No. of TAXs	TAX Capacity lines	No. of Manual Trunk Boards
Status as on 1.4.1985	59	85770	8088
Additions during 85-86	-	2600	217
Additions during 86-87	4	7400	145
Additions during 87-88	12	15900	110
Additions during 88-89	9	16200	107
Additions during 89-90	ഗ	27000	85
Old TAXs phased out diring 85-90	ഗ	17000	I
Status as on 1-4-1990	52	140870	8762

23. Lucknow,

(b) (i)		ces where TAXs have been alled in the country	24	١.	Ludhiana,		
	1. Agra,		25	5.	Madras,		
	1. 2.	Ambala,	26	3.	Kadurai,		
	2. 3.	Asansol,	27	7.	Nagpur,		
	4.	Ahmebad,	28	3.	New Delhi,		
	5 .	Bangalore	29) .	Patna,		
	6.	Belgaum,	30) .	Pune.		
	7.	Bhatinda,	31	.	Raipur,		
	8.	Bhopal,	32	2.	Ranchi,		
	9.	Bombay,	33	3.	Rajkot,		
1	0.	Calcutta,	34	l.	Salem.		
1	1.	Coimbatore,	35	5.	Shillong,		
1	2.	Cuttack,	36		Sillguri,		
1	3.	Ernakulam,	37		Surat Trichy,		
1	4.	Guntakkal,	38		Trivandrum,		
1	5.	Hyderablad,	39		Varanasi,		
1	6.	Indore,	40		Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam,		
1	7.	Jaipur,	42		Udaipur.		
1	8.	Jalandhar,	76	-			
1	9.	Jammu,			Places where TAX facility is roposed to be provided during		
2	? 0.	Jodhpur,		-	990-91.		
2	21.	Kanpur,	1		Baroda,		
2	22.	Kozhikode,	2	2.	Bhubneswar,		

3. Chandigarh,

- 4. Ghazibad,
- 5. Guwahati,
- 6. Hubli.
- 7. Jabalpur,
- 8. Jorhat.
- 9. Mangalore,
- 10. Nagpur,
- 11. Simla.

(iii) TAXs in Orissa:

In addition to the TAX already in operation at Cuttack in Orissaa, it is proposed to provide TAX facility at Bhubneswar as part of the local electronic exchange. The proposal has been approved and is in the process of implementation.

(c) Action taken for increasing the TAXs in Orissa:

A computer aided National Network Study has been conducted to determine the optimum location of future TAXs in the country. The study has indicated provision of TAX in the country. The study has indicated provision of TAX facilities at Balasore, Baripada, Berhampur, Bhubneswar, Cuttack,

Dhenkanal, Koraput and Rourkela in Orissa State. With the expansion of the TAX network, the requirement of manual Trunk Boards is expected to decrease.

(Translation)

installed Capacity and Production of Fertilizer Plants

7319. SHRI RAMESHWAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the installed capacity of various fertilizer plants and their actual production during 1980-81, 1984-85, 1986-87 and 1989-90 respectively; and
- (b) the quantity of fertilizers imported to meet the domestic requirements during 1988-89 and 1989-90?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) A statement showing installed capacity of various fertilizers plants and their actual production during 1980-81, 1984-85, 1986-87 and 1989-90 is given below.

(b) The following quantities of fertilizers of N, P and K in terms of nutrients were imported to meet the domestic requirements during 1988-89 and 1989-90;

(in lakh te)

	N	Р	K	Total NPK
1	2	3	4	5
1988-89	2.19	4.07	9.82	16.08
1989-90	5.23	13.11	12.77	31.11