is in Madhubeni district, having regard to the existing rail and road communication facilities in the area, it is considered expedient to place Bisfi and other adjoining branch offices under Darbhang a Head Post Office/ Darbhnga RMS so as to ensure early delivery/disposal of mail.

## [English]

## **Release of Telephone Connections**

10227. SHRI BALVANT MANVAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the purpose of sending intimation regarding the sanction of telephone connections 6 to 12 months ahead of the actual release of the telephone connection; and

(b) the reasons for a long gap between the allotment of O.B. and actual installation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) The purpose of sending intimation to the subscriber regarding the likely release of telephone connection at the time of bulk release, is to give him advance information.

(b) The main reasons for delay in installation of telephone connection after issue of O.B. could be one or more of the following:—

(i) The area being technically not feasible for the present;

- (ii) non-availability of subscriber; and
- (iii) the installation being deferred at the request of subscriber.

## Strengthening and Renewal of Roads under Central Road Fund in Madhya Pradesh

10228. SHRI DILEEP SINGH BHU-RIA: SHRI RAGHAVJI:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS-PORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Madhya Pradesh Government have submitted proposals for strengthening and renewal of important roads under Central Road Fund during 1989-90 and 1990 91; and

(b) if so, the details of these road projects?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) and (b). Against the proposals invited from the various State Governments in anticipation of the augmentation of the Central Road Fund, the Madhya Pradesh Government have projected a programme of 65 works including strengthening and renewal of important roads for the period 1989 to 1995 costing Rs. 92.83 crores, as per the details given below:—