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- (ii) Consturction of bridge across Pothra Nall on Nadori-Washi-Kora Raod in Wardha District.
- (b) The following two road schemes have been approved under the Central Road Fund:
 - (i) Improvement of Chandur Bazar Morshi Road in Amaravti District (Estimated cost Rs. 25 lakhs)
 - (ii) Improvement to Akola-Akot Road in Akola District (Estimated cost Rs. 20 lakhs).

No bridge work has been approved during the last three years.

Estimablishment of Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute in Maharashtra

10357. SHRI VASANT SATHE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal for the eastablishment of a Farm Machinery Training the Testing Institution in Vidarbha region of Maharashtra.
 - (b) if so, when;
- (c) the steps taken so far in this regard; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) and (c). Question does not arise.
- (d) Sufficient facilities have been created with the establishment of the Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institutes, one at Budni (Madhra Pradesh) and the other at Garladinne, Distt. Anantapur (Andhra Pradesh).

Opening of New Branch Post Office and Sub-Post Offices in Vidarbha Region

10358. SHRI VASANT SATHE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to open some new branch post offices and subpost offices in Vidarbha region;
- (b) if so, the names of the places, district-wise where branches and sub-post offices are to be opeed during 1990-91; and
- (c) the detailed programme thereof during the Eighth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) There are sanctioned proposal for opening branch post offices in Vidarbha region.

- (b) The information is furnished in at attached Statement.
- (c) The detailed programmes of extesion of postal network is to be worked out after the Department's Eighth Plan is approved and the norms for opening post offices during the Eighth Plan are finalised.