

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) The private sector: Yes, Sir.

Foreign Companies: No, Sir

(b) Government has already permitted private sector companies to set up capacities in the area of switching equipment upto capacity of 2000 lines. 60 manufacturers including 23 in private sector have been licensed to manufacture switching systems upto 2000 line capacity including EPABX, RAX and EPAX.

Entire Structure of Telecommunication Commission

8160. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL.
SHRI KUSUMA KRISHNAMURTHY

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) whether Government have revised the entire structure of the Telecommunication Commission and the Department of Communications, in view of the serious controversy raging at present, and

(b) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) No, Sir

(b) Does not arise

[*Translation*]

Development and Repair of National Highway No. 8

8161. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT:
SHRI GULAB CHAND
KATARIA:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation made in the current financial year for the development and repair works on National Highway No. 8;

(b) the number of by-passes and bridges constructed at various places on this highway during the last two years;

(c) the expenditure incurred on raising the level of roads;

(d) whether any complaints have been received in respect of the quality of construction works on the National Highway; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) to (e). Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.

Swatantrata Sainani Samman Pension to Satyagrahis of Hyderabad Satyagrah

8162. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of satyagrahis associated with "Hyderabad Satyagrah" organised by Arya Samaj in 1938-39 eligible for Swatantrata Sainani Samman Pension and the

amount of pension provided to them, State-wise;

(b) the total number of applications received from Satyagrahis and the number of applications still pending;

(c) whether any provision has been made to provide financial assistance to the widows of freedom fighters; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b). The total number of applications received from freedom fighters who participated in the "Arya Samaj" Satyagrah in 1938-39, number of sanctioned cases and the number of applications pending as 31.3.1990 are as under:

<i>No. of Applications received</i>	<i>No. of cases cases sanctioned</i>	<i>No. of applications rejected</i>	<i>No. of cases pending</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
1898	517	1127	254

The State-wise information of these cases is given in the attached Statement. At present, freedom fighter are getting pension from the Central Revenues @ Rs 750/- per month.

(c) and (d). Widows of eligible freedom

fighters are entitled to dependant pension. They are also entitled to other facilities like first class Railway pass, free medical treatment in Govt. Hospitals and in C.G.H.S. dispensaries in cities wherever these facilities are available.

STATEMENT

Sl. No.	Name of State	No. of applications received	No. of cases sanctioned	No. of applications rejected	No. of cases pending
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Andhra Pradesh	409	207	196	6
2.	Bihar	217	17	99	101
3.	Delhi	73	27	34	12
4.	Gujarat	6	4	1	1
5.	Haryana	253	36	155	62
6.	Himachal Pradesh	6	1	4	1
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	7	4	3	—
8.	Karnataka	147	36	107	4

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1	2	3	4	5	6
9.	Madhya Pradesh	22	10	12	—
10.	Maharashtra	169	55	106	8
11.	Punjab	356	27	282	47
12.	Rajasthan	52	21	23	8
13.	Uttar Pradesh	178	69	105	4
14.	West Bengal	3	3	—	—
Total		1898	517	1127	254