between the two Governments.

Meeting of the Re-Constituted National Integration Council

*634. SHRI KALP NATH RA1: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reconstituted National Integration Council has held its first meeting,

(b) if so, the subjects discussed at that meeting.

(c) whether proposals were placed before the Council to tackle the problem of recurring communal tensions in the country, and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED) (a) Yes, Sir. It held its first meeting on 11th April. 1990.

(b) Communal situation in India. Increased use of violence by political/secessionist activists. Punjab situation; Kashmir situation; and Ram Janam Bhoomi-Babri Masjid issue.

(c) and (d). There was general discussion on all the subjects of the Agenda and after reviewing the communal situation in the country the National Integration Council resolved to set up a Committee to recommend a plan of action to effectively counter this growing menace

[Translation]

Telephone Connection in Bharouch

*635. SHRI CHANDUBHAI DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of COMMU-NICATIONS be pleased to state (a) the number of applicants on the waiting list for telephone connection till 31st January, 1990 in Bharouch;

(b) the time by which telephone connections are likely to be provided to them; and

(c) the steps proposed for early release of telephone connections to all the applicants on waiting list?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) 2143 as on 31st January, 1990.

(b) and (c) The equipped switching capacity at Bharouch has been recently expanded on 16.2.90 by conversion from 2400 lines manual to 5000 lines automatic exchange. 850 new telephone connections have been provided upto 31.3 90. In the year 1990-91, 1300 more new telephone connections are proposed to be provided and this will clear the waiting list upto 31st January, 90 Further expansion of the exchange by 2000 lines is proposed for 1992-93 which will help in meeting further demands at Bharouch.

[English]

S.T.D. Disconnections in Delhi

6619. SHRI KAILASH MEGHWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of Telephone Subscribers in Delhi who have got disconnected STD facility on their telephones and how many of them have got these disconnections as a protest against faulty billing by the Department;

(b) whether there has been any loss of