

long time and the necessary equipments are also available; and

(c) if so, the reasons for not making the said centre functional so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) A UHF Centre at Jhabua has been commissioned on 26.3.90.

(b) No, Sir. The complete equipment was received only in February'90 and the instalation was completed on 26.3.90.

(c) Not applicable.

[English]

Pepper Corporation of India

6671. SHRI PALAI K.M. MATHEW: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute a Pepper Corporation of India on the Lines of the Jute Corporation, Oilseeds Corporation, Coconut Corporation etc.,

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

(b)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The production and research aspects of pepper are well taken care of by the Ministry of Agriculture. The Spices Board constituted under the Ministry of Commerce is intended to develop, promote and regulate the export of spices including pepper. Therefore, it is felt that there is no need to constitute a separate Corporation for pepper.

Digital Electronic Exchanges in Delhi.

SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether new digital electronic exchanges have been opened in Delhi during this year; and

(b) if so, the cost incurred, exchange-wise?

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

<i>Name of exchange and code</i>	<i>Approximate Project Cost in Lakhs (Rs.)</i>
1	2
Janpath '371'	1900
Chhattarpur '727'	320
Delhi Gate '326/327'	1000
Vasant Kunj '689'	540