

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any representations have been received in this regard from M.P.s, if so, the action taken thereon;

(d) the details of the amount spent on the development of rural areas about it in the last three years, with year-wise break-up; and

(e) whether any proposal had been received in October, 1986 to link the amount spent for rural development with production and productivity to create social environment for production?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES AND MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details are as follows:

(i) Construction of new roads and improvement of existing roads;

(ii) Drainage;

(iii) Drinking water facilities;

(iv) School Buildings;

(v) Employment generating schemes;

(vi) Medical facilities;

(vii) Desilting and renovation of community wells; and

(viii) Development of Poultry Farms.

(c) Bokaro Steel Plant has been receiving representations including from public representatives, carrying proposals for peripheral development. A Committee consisting of Plant and Non-Plant Members plans, recommends and reviews the peripheral development activities.

(d) The amount spent on the development of rural areas during the last three years is as follows:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Amount spent</i>
1987-88	Rs. 14.26 lakhs
1988-89	Rs. 46.60 lakhs
1989-90	Rs. 72.09 lakhs

(e) Yes, Sir.

Opening of LIC Branches in Kerala

9317. SHRI SURESH KODIKKUNNIL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of branches of the Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) proposed to be opened in Kerala during 1990-91;

(b) the locations thereof;

(c) whether any proposal has been received from Government of Kerala for opening the LIC Branch in Adoor; and

(d) if so, the time by which the above branch is likely to be opened?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRY): (a) and (b). Four branches of Life In-

insurance Corporation of India (LIC) are proposed to be opened in the State of Kerala

during 1990-91. Their locations are as below:—

<i>Location of Branch proposed</i>	<i>Distt.</i>	<i>Name of controlling Divn. of LIC Divn. of LIC</i>
1. Adimali	Idukki	Ernakulam
2. Cannanore II	Cannanore	Kozhikode
3. Adoor	Pathanamthitta	Trivandrum
4. Quilon II	Quilon	Trivandrum

(c) and (d). No, Sir. However, as stated above, formal sanction for opening of the branch in Adoor alongwith other three stations has been given. The branch is likely to be opened before 31st December, 1990.

Closing of Akashvani Group of Journals

9318. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) when was the Akashvani Group of Journals closed down and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether any C.B.I. enquiry was conducted into the affairs of above group of Journals;

(c) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(d) the follow-up action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) As part of the exercise to review expenditure in every Department and achieve economy, the publication of Akashvani journals, which were being brought

out in eight languages, was discontinued. Four Akashvani journals viz. 'Akashi' (Assamese), 'Betar Jagat' (Bengali), 'Nabhovani' (Gujarati) and 'Vani' (Telugu) were discontinued with effect from 1.1.1986 and remaining four Akashvani journals viz. 'Akashvani' (English), 'Akashvani' (Hindi), 'Awaz' (Urdu) and 'Vanoli' (Tamil) were discontinued from 1.4.1987. These journals were incurring losses over the years and were not self-supporting.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

[*Translation*]

Allocation of Fund for Development of Tourism in Rajasthan

9319. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of central allocation made to different States for the promotion of tourism during the Seventh Five Year Plan, State-wise;