Connecting of Simdega Telephone Exchange with Birmitrapur Exchange

5681. SHRI SIMON TIGGA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any proposal to connect the Simdega Telephone Exchange with Birmitrapur Exchange for better service;

- (b) if so, by what time; and
- (c) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) No, Sir. Simdega is a Small Automatic Exchange parented to Gumla Trunk Exchange.

(b) In view of reply at (a) above question does not arise.

(c) Connecting Simdega with Birmitrapur is not justified as the trunk traffic between these stations is low at present.

Expansion of Nadapuram Telephone Exchange in Calicut District

5682. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any plans to expand the Nadapuram telephone exchange in Calicut District in Kerala; and

(b) if so, the time by which the work is likely to commence on the same and what will be its increased capacity ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir. (b) A 200 lines capacity MAX-II type exchange has been planned for Nadapuram during 7th Plan, subject to availability of land for the exchange building.

Supply of full Requirement of Penicilling

5683. SHRI MANVENDRA SINGH : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news item captioned 'Small Company makes 6 APA with own know how' appearing in 'Business Standard' of 24 February, 1986;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that Government are not supplying full requirements of Penicillin G to the unit;

(c) the requirements of Penicillin G requested by the unit and how much has been supplied by Government; and

(d) the steps Government haveta ken or propose to take to supply the same in full capacity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Against its request for import of 46 MMU, this unit was allowed 36 MMU Penicillin G First Crystals during 1984-85 and 1985-86.

(d) Government have issued guideline to the sponsoring authorities to recommend import of Penicillin G First Crystals to the extent of 70% of the requirements of individual 6 APA manufacturing units. The balance 30% requirement has to be obtained by these units from indigenous manufacturers.

Import of Penicillin for Manufacture of 6 APA

5684. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state: