as compared to the production during the corresponding period in 1983-84;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the remedial steps being taken to rectify the deficiencies in production in this factory ?

MINISTER OF CHEMICALS THE AND FERTILIZERS AND INDUSTRY COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI AND VEERENDRA PATIL) : (a) to (c). Compared corresponding to the 1983-84, period of during April-December, 1984, the value of production in the Madras Plant of IDPL was less by 43%. This shortfall was mainly due to the disconproduction on loan licensing tinuance of basis. In fact, the production, by the Madras Plant, per se, increased by 12.7% during this period. Steps are being taken by IDPL, Madras to increase utilisation of the formulation capacities.

Expansion of Barauni Oil Refinery

*849. SHRI SATYENDRA NARAYAN SINHA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any plan for expansion of the Barauni oil refinery;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether increasing needs of eastern region for oil products will be met through long distance transportation of oil products from western and northern regions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) :(a) and (b). Indian Oil Corporation is undertaking studies for de-bottlenecking their refineries including the one at Barauni to increase the capacity.

(c) It is expected that the demand for products in the Eastern Region will be substantially met from the production in the refineries in that region. Re-opening of closed Old Paper Mills

*850. SHRI C. MADHAV REDDI : SHRI M. RAGHUMA REDDY :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of very old paper mills which were established during pre-Independence period are lying closed or are not properly functioning;

(b) if so, the number and names of such paper mills in each State;

(c) whether Government propose to take over and modernise those old paper mills and make them able to work in full capacity so as to produce paper in sufficient quantity and to give jobs to a large number of workers who have been thrown out of jobs due to the closure of such mills;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the funds, if any, allocated for the purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COM-PANY AFFAIRS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) and (b). Two such large integrated pulp and paper mills, viz. Bengal Paper Mills in West Bengal and Rohtas Industries Ltd. in Bihar, are lying closed at present.

(c) There is no proposal under consideration of Government to take over the management of these two paper mills under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951.

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

Public Telephones in Villages

*851. SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to instal atleast one public telephone in every village in the country to avoid the inconvenience to