

SHRIS. JAIPAL REDDY: It is an affront on the entire labour class. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI VASANT SATHE: Mr. Jaipal, do not expose yourself. I have been saying that we should not have so much of absenteeism against which we employ these casual labours. Then we employ them regularly, and with the result, they have a natural claim of being made regular. But then, there are no posts. This is a vicious circle. I am myself keen that these workers should get justice and I shall try to see that they get justice.

#### Installation of National Telex Exchanges

729. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of National Telex Exchanges have been sanctioned and installed during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the names of the places at which these have been (i) sanctioned and installed and (ii) only sanctioned but not installed, State-wise as on 31 March, 1988;

(c) the likely date by which all the remaining exchanges would be installed; and

(d) the programme for the remaining years of the Plan?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (d). A Statement is given below.

#### STATEMENT

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) *List of National Exchanges sanctioned & testified as on*

31.3.88.

1. Andhra Pradesh

1. Jeedimetla

2. Tanuku

2. Assam

1. Tazpur

3. Gujarat

1. Gandhinagar

2. Palanpur

4. Himachal Pradesh

1. Manali

5. Karnataka

1. Tumkur

2. Hebbagodi

3. Hassan

6. Kerala

1. Kasargods

7. Mizoram

1. Aizawal

8. Tamil Nadu

1. Tiruvannamalai

2. Kanchipuram

3. Gumandipondi

## 9. Uttar Pradesh

1. Surajpur
2. Hardwar

## 10. West Bengal

1. Bholpur
2. Malda

## 11. Sikkim

1. Gangtok

## 12. Andaman &amp; Nicobar

1. Port Blair

## 1. Kavarathy

## 5. Madhya Pradesh

1. Katni

## 6. Maharashtra

1. Patalganga

## 7. Nagaland

1. Kohima

## 8. Tamil Nadu

1. Maraimalainagar

2. Chingleput

3. Arakonam

(b) (ii) *List of National Exchanges sanctioned but not installed as on 31.3.88.*

## 1. Gujarat

1. Unjna
2. Kabi

## 2. Himachal Pradesh

1. Parusanoo

## 3. Karnataka

1. Gadag

## 4. Lakshadweep

## 9. Uttar Pradesh

1. Mirzapur

2. Rampur

3. Modinagar

(c) All the remaining exchanges are planned to be installed during 1988-89.

(d) The programme for the remaining years of 7th Plan is as follows, subject to the requisite demand and availability of equipment/media

<i>Name of the State</i>	<i>Number Planned during 1988-89</i>	<i>Number Planned during 89-90</i>
1	2	3
Andhra Pradesh	2	8
Assam	NIL	3

1	2	3
Bihar	NIL	2
Gujarat	2	NIL
Haryana	3	NIL
Himachal Pradesh	NIL	13
Jammu & Kashmir	NIL	1
Karnataka	4	3
Kerala	2	2
Madhya Pradesh	5	NIL
Maharashtra	NIL	12
Arunachal Pradesh	1	NIL
Orissa	3	1
Punjab	NIL	16
Rajasthan	2	2
Tamil Nadu	NIL	1
U.P.	3	NIL
West Bengal	2	2

PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR:

From the statement, it appears that the number of telex exchanges planned for installation in 1988-89 is 29 and in the last year of the Plan, it will be 66. I would like to know whether any district headquarters would be given priority among them.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Question Hour is over now.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[English]

**Opening of Post Offices in Madhya Pradesh**

714. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ:  
Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of post offices opened in Madhya Pradesh during the Seventh Five