creating technology relevant to rural areas. These are:—

(i) Rural industries, Services and Business Component of the Integrated Rural Development Programme, which aims at the development of industries, services and business enterprises in the rural areas;

(ii) Scheme of Training of Rural Youth for Self-Employment (TRY-SEM), which concentrates on the transmission of skills and technology relevant to the rural areas to the rural youth enabling them to settle in projects of self-employment;

(iii) Development of Khadi and 25 specified village industries. The programme includes training of artisans in skills having scope in rural areas and development of technology appropriate for rural areas.

Hindi Augmentation Scheme in Government of India Press

*512. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 184 posts in different categories for Hindi Augmentation Scheme were created in June, 1979 in the Government of India Press, Minto Road, New Delhi and Faridabad;

(b) the number of persons appointed so far against those posts;

(c) whether it is also a fact that huge machinery/equipments installed for the Hindi Augmentation Scheme is lying idle and if so, the details thereof and the reasons;

(d) whether responsibility will be fixed for the same; and

(e) action contemplated in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 17.

(c) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(d) Does not arise in view of the position stated above.

(e) More posts will be filled up on installation of further machinery and equipment.

So far the following machines for Hindi Augmentation Scheme have been installed in the two Presses, namely, Government of India Press, New Delhi and Government of India Press, Faridabad, under the Scheme:—

Statement

Sl. No.	Description	Installed in G.I.P.	
		Minto Road	Faridabad
1.	Lino Machines	5	5
2.	Cutting Machine	..	1

In Government of India Press, Minto Road, New Delhi, 6 posts of Lino Operators along with 10 other posts have already been filled up. Out of 5 Lino Machines installed, four machines are actually working in both the shifts. The fifth machine is, however, idling for want of some spares for which matter is being pursued with the concerned firm.

So far as Government of India Press, Faridabad concerned, there has been some difficulty in filling up the posts due to inability of the Employment Exchange to sponsor suitable candidates for appointment as Lino Operator. One Lino Operator has joined the Press on transfer basis from a sister Press. Efforts to fill up the remaining posts in Government of India Press, Faridabad, continue to be made by the Press Management. One cutting machine is being fully utilised with the existing staff right from the date of installation.

Entrance Fee at Taj, Agra

*513. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an additional entrance fee of Rs. 1.50 per head is collected for visiting the Taj, Agra;

(b) if so, whether Government have approved the additional levy of entrance fee; and

(c) whether Government propose to reduce this fee or totally exempt it to enable the poor people also to visit the Taj?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958, the Archaeological Survey of India has been charging an entrance fee of 50 paise from visitors (above the age of 15 years) to the Taj Mahal.

In addition to the above, since July, 1976, however, the Agra Development Authority, has been collecting at the monument, a levy of Rs. 1.50 from visitors to not only the Taj Mahal but also Agra Fort, Sikandara and Itimadud Daula's Tomb.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) This levy was imposed by the State Government who are not agreeable to discontinue it.

उज्जैन का टेलीफोन केन्द्र

*514. श्री सत्यनारायण जाटिया : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में उज्जैन स्थित टेलीफोन केन्द्र की कितने टेलीफोन कनक्शनों की क्षमता है ;

(ख) क्या उज्जैन का स्वचालित टेलीफोन केन्द्र सुचारू रूप से कार्य कर रहा है ;

(ग) क्या उज्जैन टेलीफोन केन्द्र को वातानुकूलित बनाने के प्रबंध किये जा रहे है ;

(घ) उज्जैन नगर में टेलीफोन कनेक्शनों क लिये प्रतीक्षा सूची में कितने व्यक्तियों के नाम है ; और

(ड.) प्रतीक्षा सूची के लोगों को कब तक स्थायी टेलीफोन कनेक्शन दे दिये जाएंगे ?

संचार मंत्री (श्री सी० एम० स्टीफन) : (क) एक्सचेंज की नाममात्र क्षमता 2400 लाइनों की है जिसमें से लगभग 2200 कनेक्शन प्रदान किए जा सकते है ।

(ख) जी हां ।

(ग) जी हां ।

(घ) 30-6-80 को 453 व्यक्तियों के नाम प्रतीक्षा सूची में दर्ज थे, जिनमें से अधिकांश के नाम 30-9-79 क पश्चात ही दर्ज किए गए थे ।

(ड.) अगले 3 महीनों के दौरान लगभग 200 और कनेक्शन प्रदान किए जान की संभावना है । शेष आवेदकों को 1982-83 के दौरान कनेक्शन दिए जाने की संभावना है ।

Central Housing Funds for West Bengal

*515. SHRI CHITTA MAHATA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) the amount which the Central Government have sanctioned for rural housing in West Bengal; and

(b) how many rural houses were built under this scheme in West Bengal in 1979 and the targets for 1980?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Central financial assistance for the State Plan schemes is given in the shape of 'block loans' and 'block grants' for the Plan as a whole and it is not related to any particular head of development or scheme. Similarly, funds from Life Insurance Corporation and General Insurance Corporation are allocated to the States for various housing schemes as a package assistance. It is, therefore, not possible to indicate the amount sanctioned exclusively for rural housing in West Bengal.

(b) The information is being collected ond will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

बड़ा-गांव रीवा (मध्य प्रदेश) में खुदाई

*516. श्री फूल चन्द वर्मा : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को पता है कि मध्य प्रदेश में रीवा जिले के बड़ा-गांव नामक स्थान पर की जा रही खुदाई के दौरान पुरातत्वीय महत्व की बहुत सी वस्तुएं पाई गई है ; ..