

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO):

(a) At present there is no proposal to set up a separate Telecom, Division for Darrang District.

(b) Does not arise.

Fay scales of rural post masters

1439. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY; Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for enhancing the pay scales of the rural post masters as most of them suffer stagnation in pay scales as well as service status; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO):

(a) There is no such proposal under the consideration of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

Delivery of telegarms

1440. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY; Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government are aware that the telegraphic messages through code numbers have been delivered to the addresses in New Delhi during these years in the code number itself without transforming the code numbers into messages; and

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Departmental action is taken against the defaulting official for the lapse and the sender is given the refund of telegraph charges.

Telephone and telegraph Sub-divisions in Kerala

1441. SHRI THOMAS KUTHIRAVAT. TOM; Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone and telegraph Sub-divisions in Kerala at present;

(b) whether Government propose to increase the number of such offices to increase the efficiency; and

(c) if so, what are the details of the new offices and the places where they are likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO):

(a) There are 30 TE Sub-divisions and 16 Phones Sub-divisions at present in Kerala Circle.

(b) and (c) Review of no. of sub-divisions based on workload is a continuous process. These are examined as and when the workload justifies.

Uzhavoor telephone exchange

1442. SHRI THOMAS KUTHIRAVAT. TOM; Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state;

(a) what is the present capacity of Uzhavoor telephone exchange in Kottayam district, Kerala and how many telephone connections have been provided;

(b) what is the present number of wait listed applicants there;

(c) whether the Department owns land there and if not, by when it is likely to be acquired;

(d) how many applicants are on the waiting list for the Non-OYT Special Category;

(e) what are the hurdles in connecting Uzhavoor exchange with Palai exchange thereby including it in the STD map; and

(f) whether the exchange would be expanded soon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO):

(a) As on 31.3.89 Uzhavoor is MAX-III exchange with 90 line capacity and having 90 working connections.

(b) There are 135 in the waiting list at present.

(c) No, Sir. It is likely to be procured, during the Eighth Plan period.

(d) 4 out of 135 are on Non-OYT Special Category.

(e) Uzhavoor is already connected to Palai exchange by group dialling. STD facility is not technically feasible at Uzhavoor being a MAX-III exchange.

(f) Expansion is being planned during the Eighth Plan.

Production of DMT

1443. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA;

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state.

(a) what are the names of manufacturers of Dimethyl Terephthalate stating their licenced capacity and actual production by each of them during the last three years, yearwise-

(b) whether it is a fact that M/s. Bombay Dyeing Limited have exceeded their licenced capacity during the above period; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAQ): (a) The present producers licenced capacity of DMT and production by each of them during the last three years is as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the Unit	Licenced Capacity	Year	Production (MT)
1	IPCL(PSU)	30,000	86-87 87-88 88-89	28033 29000 30034
2	BRPL (PSU)	45,000	86-87 87-88 88-89	25487 28274 32919
3	Bombay Dyeing & Manufacturing Company Limited	60,000	86-87 87-88 88-89	43249 58050 61583