Location

T.ivandrum

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. Under Marketing of LPG Phase III Plan, Bharat Petroleum Corporation propose to set up new bottling plants as follows:

Annual Bottling capacity

on the basis of two shift

. 12,500 MT

		opera	tion	<i>t</i>
Delhi (Asoti)				75,000 MT
Uran .			٠	75,000 MT
Ambala .				25,000 MT
Jabalpur				25,000 MT
Taticorin.	•		٧.	25,000 MT
Sholapur		•		12,500 MT
Jalgaon				12,500 MT
Mangalore		•		12,500 MT

Short supply of LPG refills by M/s. Vipay Ratten Enterprises

- 219. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government are aware that M|s Vijay Ratten enterprises a gas agency in Laxmi Nagar, a Trans-Jamuna area of Delni, took ten to twenty days to supply LPG refills to the consumers in the months of January and February, 1985 and that there is no indication of improvement in the supply position;
- (b) whether the plea of short supply of LPG refills in Trans-Jamuna area often made by the agency, is correct; and
- (c) if not, what action Government propose to take against this agency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) and (b) There was a backlog of 3 to 10 days for supply of LPG refills with M/s. Vijay Ratten Enterprises, Delhi during January and February, 1985 due

to operational reasons and unrest among delivery staff of the distributor. The refill supply prosition now is normal.

- (c) A close watch is being maintained to ensure that the distributor maintains the present satisfactory refill supply position to the customers.
- 220. [Transferred to the 26th March, 1985.]

Telephone connections in Major Cities

221. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: SHRI L. GANESAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICA-TIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of existing telephone connections in each major city in the country;
- (b) the number of applications for telephone connections pending as on the 31st December, 1984; and
- (c) what are the proposals for expansion of telephone connections in the major cities in the country in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) and (b) The total number of existing telephone connections and the number of applicants on waiting lists on 31st December, 1984 for major cities are given in the Statement.

(c) There are proposals to expand existing telephone exchanges wherever feasible and to open new telephone exchanges in major cities which are being implemented in near future, subject to the availability of resources. The number of new connections likely to be given in 1985-86 in these cities is given in the Statement.