

को प्राथमिकता प्राप्त उद्योगों के रूप में मानकर ऋण दें ?

कृषि और ग्रामोण पुनर्निर्माण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री आर० बी० स्वामिनथन) :
(क) तथा (ख) बैंकों द्वारा कृषि क्षेत्र में प्राथमिकता के आधार पर वित्तीय सहायता देने के लिए डेरी उद्योग को कृषि के सहायक कार्यकलापों में शामिल किया गया है ।

(ग) तथा (घ) डेरी उद्योग को बैंक की वित्तीय सहायता के लिए कृषि के भाग के रूप में तथा उसके सहायक कार्यकलाप के रूप में शामिल किया गया है । अतः इन क्षेत्रों में ऋण देने के लिए सभी बैंकों द्वारा आसान आवेदन पत्र की प्रक्रिया अपनायी गई है ।

Water supply in Class IV Quarters
in Kalibari Marg

1512. SHRI PRASENJIT BAR-
MAN:

SHRI DHANESHWAR
MAJHI:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND
HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the water supply system in Government quarters in Kalibari Marg, New Delhi is functioning in an irregular manner; and

(b) if so, what remedial steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI BHISHMA NARAIN SINGH): (a) and (b). In summer there is some scarcity of water. However, increased water supply through a bigger pipe line is being arranged from NDMC. Besides, overhead tanks are under construction in the area which would improve distribution of water.

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Functioning of Postal and Telecommunication system in North Bengal and Sikkim

1513. SHRI PRASENJIT BAR-
MAN:

SHRI AHMAD HOSSAIN
MONDAL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the most deplorable condition of the postal and telecommunication system of North Bengal and Sikkim; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to improve the condition of the postal and telecommunication system of the area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KARTIK ORAON):

(a) Yes, Sir. Some complaints have been received about the unsatisfactory functioning of Postal and Telecommunication services in North Bengal and Sikkim.

(b) The following steps have been taken to improve the telecommunication service in these areas:

(i) A post of Regional Director, Telecom, Service has been created at Siliguri.

(ii) A special group has been set up to monitor the trunk service at Siliguri.

(iii) Telephone Exchanges at Singtom and Naya Bazar are being automatised and new trunk centres are being established.

(iv) Direct trunk circuits are being provided from Gangtok to Gayazing, Singtom and Naya Bazar.

The following steps have been taken to improve the postal services in the area:—

(i) Five new delivery post offices have been created at Siliguri to expedite the delivery of mails.