

(b) if so, what is the estimated amount thereof;

(c) how many tenements are proposed to be constructed under the project and what is the present progress of the work and the amount spent thereon so far; and

(d) by when all these staff quarters are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KARTIK ORAON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 34,69,300.

(c) 60 staff quarters are to be constructed. Tenders have been called for with the date of opening as 16-9-81. The construction work is yet to start and accordingly no money has been spent so far. These quarters will be shared between the postal and telecommunication staff of the department.

(d) These staff quarters are likely to be completed in 1983-84.

**Demand** of location of Postal Directorate at Aurangabad

632. SHIMATI VIJAYA RAJE SCINDIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a long standing demand for a Postal Directorate at Aurangabad in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, since when this demand is being made and what reasons have been advanced in favour of this demand;

(c) what action has been taken by "Government in this regard;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Postal Directorate meant for Marathwada has been established and located at Nagpur at a distance of about 700 kms. from Aurangabad; and

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(e) if so, whether Government propose to reconsider the whole position; if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KARTIK ORAON): (a) to (c). A demand was made in February, 1981 for locating the headquarters of one of the Director of Postal Services in Maharashtra Circle at Aurangabad. The matter is under examination.

(d) and (e) The posts of director of Postal Services are created on the basis of norms as laid down by the Department. The headquarters of Directors are decided taking into account the operational needs of the Circle. The Director of Postal Services whose headquarters is at Nagpur also controls Postal divisions in Marathwada region.

Video recording historic events

633. SHRIMATI VIJAYA RAJE SCINDIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have received a representation dated the 18th June, 1981 from Shri Arun Deshmukh and sixty-seven others regarding video recording historic events;

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

(c) what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The suggestion is to record on video the complete episodes of Shiv Katha Mala, a Ballad-cum-Lecture series on Shivaji's life which is presented as a one man show by Baba Saheb Purandara for telecast and archives.

(c) The suggestion is noted and is being examined as to whom it can be