

for providing terminal facilities at AUep-pey by constructing dry dock workshops there 10 the Kerala Government; and

(b) if so, what is Kerala Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI H. M. TRIVEDI): (a) The Government of Kerala has been addressed to intimate whether this scheme can be accommodated within the allocation of Rs. 140 lakhs already made for Kerala under the Dra't Fifth Plan.

(b) No reply has so far been received from the State Government.

Telephone dues of M.P.s.

629. SHRI S. KUMARAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state i

(a) what is the amount of outstanding telephone dues against Members of Parliament; and

(b) what steps are being taken for the realisation of the dues ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (DR. SHANKER DAYAL SHARMA) : (a) Rs. 8.82.600/- as on 1-4-1976.

(b) The question of recovery of telephone dues- is being persued with the concerned Hon'ble Members. The mattler has also been brought to the notice of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha Secretariats and the Joint Committee on Salaries and Allowances of Members of Parliament is examining the issue of realization of the dues.

Telephone Exchange in Maharashtra

630. SHRI DEORAO PATIL : Will the Minister, of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the telephone exchanges in the major cities in Maharashtra are mostly overloaded;

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to increase the capacity of these exchanges; and

(c) what are the operational programmes and financial allocation during the Fifth Five Year Plan period in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (DR. SHANKER DAYAL SHARMA): (a) to (c) It is a fact that some of the cities in Maharashtra have a heavy waiting list. Continuous efforts are, therefore, being made to expand the telephone exchanges.

The following is the programme of the

1976-77

Exchange	No. of lines
Bombay-Chembur	600 lines (7200-7800)
Bombay-Mandvi	4000 lines (5000-9000 lines.)
Bombay-Shivaji Park Extn.	2000 lines (4000-6000 lines)
Bombay-Matunga	3000 lines (3000-6000 lines)
Bombay-Cooperage Main	5000 lines.
Bombay-Byculla Main	5000 lines
Nagpur Main	200 lines (8000-8200) lines.
Poona-Sivaji Nagar	300 lines (6600-6900 lines)
Poona-City	4000 lines (6000-10000 lines)
Nasik City	500 lines (2800-3300 lines)
Kolhapur Main	4500 lines

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Exchange	No. of lines
Bombay-Khar II Extn.	2000 lines (8000-10000 lines)
Bombay-Byculla SXS	3000 lines (5000-8000 lines)
Bombay-Colaba	1200 lines (5100-6300 lines)
Bombay-Borivili	2100 lines (2600-4700 lines)
Bombay-Borivili Main X	4000 lines
Bombay-Malad	2000 lines (2000-4000 lines)
Kalyan Main	3000 lines

proposed expansion during the remaining three years, of the Fifth Plan: