

†[THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL). (a) and (b) Programmes on Law and connected subjects are already being arranged by the All India Radio Stations and the Television Centres.]

Delay in Installation of new telephone connections in the Varanasi Sub-Division

*600 SHRI MULKA GOVINDA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new telephone connections pending installation even after making due payments by the applicants in the Varanasi Sub-Division in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K. BRAHMANANDA REDDY). (a) and (b) Against 995 demand notes for new connections issued upto 14-3-1974, payments have been received for 780 connections, out of which 660 connections have already been provided. There has been delay in provision of some connections due to some applicants having changed their addresses, or the premises where phones were required to be installed

not having been found in the occupation of the applicants, or the connections requiring erection of very long lines. Most of the connections in respect of which payment has been made are likely to be provided in about a month's time except those cases in which the locations have not been finally decided upon by the applicants or which involve considerable line constructions work

Half-a-Million Jobs Programme

*601 SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL:

SHRI M. K. MOHTA:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state the number of jobs created by the various State Governments out of the funds provided to them in 1973 under the "Half-a-Million Jobs Programme for the Educated Unemployed."?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA) According to the latest information available from the States/Union Territories, employment was provided to 2,57,243 educated persons under the Half-a-Million Jobs Programme. A statement giving Statewise break-up of expenditure incurred and employment generated under this Programme is placed on the Table of the House.

Statement

The half-a-million jobs programme 1973-74—progress reported by States/Union Territories regarding expenditure incurred and employment generated

(Position as on February 28, 1974)

Sl No.	States/Union Territories Central Ministries	Expenditure incurred (Rs Lakhs)	Employment generated	Progress upto the end of
A. STATES :				
1	Andhra Pradesh	64 21	15,399	December, 1973
2	Assam	0 65	202	December, 1973
3	Bihar	157 00	21,000	February, 1974
4	Gujarat	49.00	9,000	February, 1974
5	Harvana	100 00	8,000	February, 1974

†[] English translation.