

Maharashtra Government has submitted its report on mass transportation study of Bombay. The Traffic cell of the Tamil Nadu Government is expected to submit its report on 'Comprehensive Traffic and Transportation Study' for the Madras Metropolitan area by August, 1971. However, it has submitted a report on 'Travel Corridors for 1991.'

(c) The reports already submitted are being considered by the Metropolitan Transport Team.

#### TELEPHONE BILLS OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

\*110. SHRI S. A. KHAJA MOHIDEEN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS/संचार मंत्री be pleased to state the amount paid for local and Trunk calls by each of the Councils of Ministers from 1st December, 1970 to 31st March, 1971 in respect of Telephones provided at their residences ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS/संचार मंत्री (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): 1. In Delhi, bills for local calls are prepared quarterly, a quarter for the purpose being a conventional period of three months beginning from and ending at certain pre-determined dates, which varies for various groups of telephones. It will not, therefore, be possible to identify the bills covering the calls made exactly during the period in question. A rough computation of such calls, however, has been attempted with reference to the records available in the telephone exchange. Local calls are valued at 15 paise per call up to 750 calls after allowing a rebate of 150 free calls and at 20 Paise per call thereafter per quarter. Valuation of the calls in the present case has been made hypothetically on a proportionate basis.

2. Bills for trunk calls are also issued monthly for conventional months which vary for various groups of telephones. Here, however, the value of all the trunk calls made during the period in question has been computed by referring to records relating to individual trunk calls.

3. Since the information is voluminous a statement embodying the same is laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha. [See Appendix LXXVI, Annexure No. 6.]

#### हिन्दी तारों की गाइड पुस्तिका

\*111. श्री राम सहाय : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या हिन्दी तारों के शब्दों की गणना सम्बन्धी गाइड पुस्तिका का कोई नया संस्करण निकाला गया है ;

(ख) क्या यह बात सरकार की जानकारी में आई है कि अंग्रेजी तारों की अपेक्षा हिन्दी के तारों में शब्दों की गणना अधिक की जाती है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं ;

(घ) क्या सरकार हिन्दी के शब्दों की गणना के नियम निर्धारित करने वाली गाइड पुस्तिका की एक-एक प्रति प्रत्येक तार घर में उपलब्ध कराने का विचार रखती है ;

(ङ) इस पुस्तक का नया संस्करण कहां से उपलब्ध हो सकेगा ; और

(च) क्या सरकार संसद् सदस्यों को उक्त प्रकाशन की एक-एक प्रति उपलब्ध कराने का विचार रखती है ?

†[GUIDE-BOOK ON HINDI TELEGRAMS

\*111. SHRI RAM SAHAI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS/संचार मंत्री be pleased to state :

(a) whether any new edition has been brought out of the guide-book concerning counting of words of Hindi Telegrams ;

(b) whether it has come to the notice of Government that compared to English Telegrams more words are counted in Hindi Telegrams ;

(c) if so, the steps taken in this regard ;

†[ ] English translation.

(d) whether Government propose to make available at each Telegraph office a copy of the guide-book prescribing rules for counting of Hindi words ;

(e) the place where the new edition will be made available ; and

(f) whether Government propose to provide Members of Parliament with a copy of the said publication ?]

**संचार मन्त्री (श्री हेमवती नंदन बहुगुणा) :**

(क) जी हाँ। 1970 में 'देवनागरी तार गाइड' नामक एक पुस्तक प्रकाशित की गई थी, जिसमें देवनागरी लिपि में लिखे सभी क्षेत्रीय भाषाओं के तारों के बुक करने, पारेषण और वितरण संबंधी नियम और हिदायतें दी गई थीं।

(ख) जी नहीं।

(ग) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

(घ) से (च) देवनागरी तार गाइड की अपेक्षित संख्या में प्रतियां सभी देवनागरी तारघरों को संदर्भ और जनता को 0.50 पैसे प्रति पुस्तक की दर पर बिक्री के लिए सप्लाई की गई हैं। ऐसी हिदायतें भी जारी की गई हैं कि ऐसे सभी तारघरों में इस आशय की सार्वजनिक सूचना रखी जाए। देवनागरी तार गाइड की दस प्रतियां संसद के पुस्तकालय को भी सप्लाई की गई थीं।

†[THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS/संचार मंत्री (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) Yes, Sir. A book named "Devanagari Tar Guide" was published in 1970 in respect of rules and instructions concerning booking, transmission and delivery of all regional languages telegrams written in Devanagri script.

(b) No. Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) to (f) Required number of copies of Devanagari Tar Guide have been supplied to

† [ ] English translation.

all Devanagari telegraph offices for reference and also for sale at 0.50 paise per book to the public. Instructions have been issued that a public notice to this effect should be placed at all such telegraph offices. Ten copies of Devanagari Tar Guide were supplied to the Parliament Library also.]

#### MONOPOLY IN PRESS

\*112. SHRI KRISHAN KANT :

DR. SALIG RAM :

SHRI R. P. SINHA :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING/ सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री be pleased to state :

(a) whether government propose to appoint a Committee to enquire into the cost structure and functioning of monopoly in the Indian press ; and

(b) if so, when will it be appointed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING/ सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) and (b) There is no such proposal at present under consideration. A departmental study of ownership pattern of the companies publishing newspapers has been undertaken by the Department of Company Affairs.

\*113. [Transferred to the 2nd June, 1971]

TAMIL NADU CHIEF MINISTER'S STATEMENT ON THE DEMAND FOR STATE'S AUTONOMY

\*114. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA :

SHRI B. K. KAUL :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS/ गृह मंत्री be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government of India has been drawn to the report appearing in the Times of India, dated the 25th April, 1971, regarding the statement made by the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on State autonomy in which he has stated that "separation would become unavoidable if the demand