

**POST-OFFICES AND TELEPHONE EXCHANGES
IN RAJASTHAN**

*620. DR. (MRS.) MANGLADEVI TALWAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Post Offices, Savings Banks, Telegraph Offices and telephone Exchanges which are proposed to be opened in the rural areas of Rajasthan during the Fourth Five Year Plan ; and

(b) what are the details of the same ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : (a) and (b) A statement is being laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

**PERIODICALS PUBLISHED BY THE
DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS**

1270. SHRI ABID ALI : Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS be pleased to lay on the Table of the House a statement giving the following information with regard to the periodicals published by his Department:

(a) (i) names of the periodicals indicating whether it is published weekly or monthly ;

(ii) number of copies printed of each;

(iii) number of copies normally sold;

(iv) number of copies given *gratis*; and

(b) the expenditure, direct or indirect, incurred thereon and the income derived therefrom during the last one year ?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) (i) The Department of Parliamentary Affairs do not publish any periodicals either weekly or monthly.

(ii) to (iv) Do not arise, (b) Does not arise.

**CONVERSION OF NALBARI POST-OFFICE
INTO A HEAD POST OFFICE**

1271. SHRI SRIMAN PRAFULLA GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently received any representation for the conversion of Nalbari Post Office in the District of Kamrup (Assam) into a Head Post Office ; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : (a) Yes.

(b) Proposal is under examination.

**WEST GERMAN ASSISTANCE FOR
DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

1272. SHRI NIRANJAN VARMA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the nature and the extent of assistance received so far from the Government of West Germany for development of Agriculture in Nilgiris in Madras State; and

(b) what is the progress made in the matter so far there ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHAB SHINDE) : (a) The Government of Federal Republic of Germany have made available at its cost, to the project, the following assistance to-date :—

(i) Services of six experts;

(ii) Training facilities in the Federal Republic of Germany for 4 officers of the Government of Madras ; and

(iii) Equipment and fertilisers costing Rs. 12.43 lakhs.