

MR. CHAIRMAN : You will have to understand that when I call the next question, it is next question.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA : May I pass it on to you, Sir? But I cannot go to you now.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Yes, you can pass it on to me.

TRANSMITTER IN HARYANA

*725. SHRI R. P. KHAITAN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether any decision has been taken on the location of the transmitter in Haryana;

(b) if so, what; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons for the delay and when a decision is likely to be taken?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Draft 4th Plan for development of broadcasting includes provision for setting up a radio station in Haryana. Implementation of the project depends upon the availability of resources and desirability of Government making up its mind in the absence of decision about the State Capital.

श्री आर० पी० खैतान : सर, क्या यह सच है कि हरियाणा ही एक ऐसा राज्य है जिस में रेडियो स्टेशन नहीं है। यदि ऐसा है, तो क्या सरकार इसके बारे में जल्दी में जल्दी निर्णय लेने की कृपा करेगी ?

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : It is true that Haryana has no radio station but eighty-eight per cent. of the entire area of Haryana State is covered by the radio station in Delhi and by the radio station in Jullunder. We are also thinking of having a radio station there also.

SHRI KRISHAN KANT : If the reply given by the hon. Deputy Minister is properly understood, it will mean that Haryana need not be given a radio station because eighty-eight per

cent. of Haryana area is already covered by those two radio stations. This is not a correct thing. The main thing is, earlier, in the last session, when the question was raised, the hon. Minister replied that when a people's Government came into existence there, it shall be decided whether it should be located at Karnal or Rohtak. This was the problem. And now, when a new Government has come, when a people's Government has come, did they have any discussion with that Government about the location of the whole thing and specially when it should be done. When last time, when even in the last session, the question of the decision on the location of the radio station came up, and yet, after such a long time, now, it is said that no decision has been taken, now the matter comes to be considered in the Fourth Plan and so on.

SHRI K. K. SHAH : What the Deputy Minister said was that there should no anxiety about Haryana being kept out without the benefit of a radio station of its own because it is covered by other radio stations. It is true that Haryana must have a radio station but it will take time, because the decision about its location will remain pending—and they may find it difficult to decide—till the question of its permanent capital is decided. That is why we are not hurrying up.

*726. [The questioner (Shri Sitaram Jaipuria) was absent. For answer, vide cols. 5143-5144 infra.]

REBEL NAGAS CROSSING INTO BURMA

*727. SHRI A. D. MANI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report in the London Times of May 29, 1968 to the effect that several hundred Rebel Nagas have crossed into Burma on their way to China; and

(b) whether it is a fact that 200 Rebel Nagas were killed by our border security forces in one week in the month of May, 1968?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) The House has been apprised from time to time of the move-