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(c) whether it is also a fact that a number of States have sent the proposals for providing the sky bus system; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the costs involved and their present status?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) The Government of Maharashtra, Kerala and Goa have sent proposals for providing Sky Bus System in their States. The concept of Sky Bus Metro developed by Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. (KRCL) has been examined by this Ministry in detail and a proposal for setting up of a technical committee of experts to assess the claims of KRCL is presently under consideration of the Government. As, such a system has not been implemented so far any where **in** the World, detailed technical appraisal of this concept is necessary, before any investment decision can be taken by the Government.

Water connections to unauthorized colonies in Delhi

4632. SHRI B. P. APTE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to provide water connections in the unauthorized colonies of, Delhi especially in North; and

(b) whether quality of water supplied through tankers is inferior in comparison to that supplied through regular connections ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN) : (a) The Delhi Jal Board has reported that they are providing water connection to the unauthorized colonies including those in North Delhi subject to availability, technical feasibility and deposition of development charges by the residents of the colony as per the present policy.

(b) The quality of water supplied through tankers is potable and of the same quality as that supplied through regular connections.

Shady land deals of DDA

4633. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that C.B.I. has recovered a computer disk containing the details of many shady land deals in which builders and middlemen played a leading role with the connivance of DDA officials;