

5. appropriate legislation to regulate industry hospitals and town planning.
6. health impact assessment along the lines of environmental impact assessment for major projects.

The recommendations of the Committee provides the broad framework for identification and solution of the intricate problems of urban solid waste management including household, hospital and industrial solid waste at the local, regional and national levels.

The major components of the National Action Plan of Urban Solid Waste Management suggested by the Committee include :

- (i) awareness generation at all levels - community, industry and hospitals.
- (ii) legal enactment to supplement and support the efforts generated through IEC.
- (iii) human resource development for better management of Urban Solid Waste.
- (iv) research and development for evolving appropriate technology for waste management.
- (v) pilot projects preferably in the joint sector for utilization for proven technological option for urban solid waste management.
- (vi) strengthening the existing services for urban solid waste management.
- (vii) Establishment of rag pickers cooperatives in association with NGOs.

[Translation]

Computerised System of Telephones

*177. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY :
SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government have introduced a new computerised system to provide information about the changed telephone numbers in Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said system would also be introduced in other cities of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The computerised information system, which was commissioned on the 15th August 95 in Delhi, Provides to the caller the changed number of a called

subscriber, without the intervention of a human operator. The service is available on code 1951 in Hindi and on 1952 in English.

(c) Yes, Sir. There are plans to introduce the system in other metro cities in a phased manner.

(d) The equipment is proposed to be installed in telephone systems with a capacity of one lakh lines and above. The cost of the system is of the order of Rs. 5 to 10 lakhs depending on the size of the database.

[English]

Vohra Committee Report

*178. SHRI TARIT BARAN TOPDAR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any other part of the Vohra Committee Report other than which was laid on the Table of the House during the last Session;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to make that part of the report public; and

(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be made public?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). Does not arise.

Irrigation potential

*179. SHRI SURENDRA PAL PATHAK : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a gap between the creation and utilisation of irrigation potential;

(b) if so, the extent thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to bridge this gap;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement showing state-wise gap between Irrigation potential created and its utilisation at the end of 1993-94 is enclosed.

(c) to (e). To reduce this gap a Centrally Sponsored Command Area Development Programme is under implementation since 1974-75. The outlay for this programme during Eighth Plan (1992-97) is Rs. 2,510.13 crores. The other remedial measures taken, inter-alia, include re-appraisal of acutal potential of old schemes and annual performance review.