

**THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI):** (a) to (c). The proposed bridge, when constructed, would fall on a State road. The Government of Uttar Pradesh are, therefore, primarily concerned with all matters relating to survey, construction, etc. of the proposed bridge. The Government of India have no proposal for the construction of any rail-cum-road bridge at the proposed site.

#### Issue of Licences to Kerala

4062. **SHRI VAYALAR RAVI:**

**SHRI N. SREEKANTAN NAIR:**

Will the Minister of **INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of industrial licences issued in the State of Kerala during the last three years to set up new industries together with the names of those industries; and

(b) the number of cases where these licences were utilised and the names and number of parties which have not utilised the licence and the reasons therefor?

**THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES):** (a) 32 Industrial licences were issued to set up new industrial undertakings in the State of Kerala during the last three years 1974-76. A list of these licences is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-766/77].

(b) It normally takes three to four years to set up a new industrial undertaking after the issue of an industrial licence. According to information available with the Ministry of Industry, none of these licences has been surrendered/cancelled or revoked. These licences are under implementation.

#### Changes in Reporting and News-Bulletin Service of AIR

4063. **SHRI N. SREEKANTAN NAIR:**

**SHRI VAYALAR RAVI:**

Will the Minister of **INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING** be pleased to state:

(a) whether any changes have been made in the reporting and news bulletin service of A.I.R.; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

**THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI):** (a) and (b). After the withdrawal of the emergency and formation of the new government, news coverage is done in a fair and objective manner reflecting different points of view. As a result, the credibility of AIR's news and current affairs programmes, which had been lost during the emergency, has been re-established.

As part of a programme to expand the coverage of news from the rural areas, 104 additional part-time correspondents have been appointed in the districts, bringing the total of such correspondents to 194. Another 45 part-time correspondents are in the process of being appointed. Twenty additional full time correspondents have also been appointed in various States.

#### Rural Electrification Schemes for Vidisha and Raisen Districts in M.P.

4064. **SHRI RAGHAVJI:** Will the Minister of **ENERGY** be pleased to state:

(a) the names of rural electrification schemes for Vidisha and Raisen districts in Madhya Pradesh pending consideration of Government; and