

(a) to (e). Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA, under the Ministry of Commerce deals with the export of processed foods, has projected a potential average annual growth rate of 22.5% during the Eighth Plan period for export of processed fruit and vegetable products, meat and poultry products, rice, other processed food products, viz. gaur gum, pepper, cocoa products, alcoholic beverages, etc. The projection of APEDA also include export of fresh fruits, flower, plants, etc. No specific proposal has been received from the State governments regarding export of processed food products.

#### **Telephones in Villages of Maharashtra**

6214. SHRI PRAKESH V. PATIL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) number of villages in Maharashtra provided with telephone facilities a on the 31st January, 1992; and

(b) the time by which the remaining villages will be provided with this facility?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) 5571 Panchayat villages.

(b) Government have planned to provide telephone facility to all the Panchayat Villages by 31.3. 1995 and other villages by 2000 A.D. progressively subject to availability of resorces.

#### **Funds for Drilling Accessories in GSI**

6215. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) how long the Geological Survey of

India has not been provided funds for procurement of the spare and drilling accessories like as drilling rods, core barrels, diamond bits, castings, core lifter, winches etc.;

(b) whether the drilling work of the Geological Survey of India suffered for want of accessories and spares;

(c) if so, whether there is any plan to provide these spare accessories in near future; and

(d) if not, the reasons there for?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Funds have always been provided to Geological survey of India (GSI) in accordance with the approved budget.

(b) Drilling work of GSE was marginally affected.

(c) Funds have been provided to the GSI with in the budgetary constraints.

(d) Does not arise.

#### **Exploitation of Menerals by GSI**

6216. SHRI LOKANATH CH- OUDHURY: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to restricts the Geological Survey of India from carrying out the investigations of strategic minerals like tungsten , Potash, gold etc.;

(b) if not, the allocation made to carry out the investigations of these minerals;

(c) whether any foreign firms is involved in carrying out the investigation of these minerals; and

(d) if so, the reasons thereof?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Geological Survey of India (GSI) is currently engaged in active investigations on 40 projects for gold, 15 projects for tin-tungsten and 1 project for potash.

(c) and (d). BRGM (( BUREAU DE RECHERCHES GEOLOGIQUES ET MINIERES) the French bureau of geological and mining research is assisting GSI under the Indo French Protocol to upgrade technology and data processing skills in the field of exploration and development of minerals.

**Issue of Licensing for Fishing In Gujarat**

6217. SHRI HARI BHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether licences are being given for fishing from sea at Zakhu in Kutch of Gujarat to Indian and foreign industrialists;

(b) if so, the criteria for issue of such licences;

(c) the details of the licences issued during the last three years; and

(d) the reasons for issue of such licences to foreign industrialists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (d). Do not arise.

**STD Facility in Districts of Madhya Pradesh**

6218. SHRI SURAOBHANU SOLANKI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details S.T.D. facility to be provided in districts Dhar and Khargone, Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government propose to provide S.T.D. facility in those exchanges during the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the maximum limit of the lines fixed in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) STD facility in available at the following places of Dhar & Khargone districts.

(i) Dhar district -- Dhar Pithampur & Mandu.

(ii) Khargone district : Khargone, Burwaha & Sanawad.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) All exchanges are planned to be connected with STD during 8th Five Year Plan subject to availability of resources.

**Publishing of will of Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad**

6219. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be please to state:

(a) the reasons for not publishing the