

Limited has been suffering losses for a long time;

(b) whether the management is getting most of the items manufactured from the local private traders;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the remedial measures proposed to be taken to improve the functioning of the company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D.L. BAITHA): (a) No, Sir.

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

Expansion of Telephone Exchange in Sherthallay, Kerala

1926. SHRI VAKKOMPURUSHOTHAMAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the reply given on 2 May, 1989 to Unstarred Question No, 7649 regarding expansion of telephone exchange in Sherthallay, Kerala and state:

(a) the progress made so far in the work relating to the expansion of the telephone exchange; and

(b) when is it expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Equipment for Sherthallay exchange is likely to be received from ITI in December, 1989.

(b) It is expected to be completed by end of 1989-90, subject to availability of equipment.

Third Station in Antarctica

1927. SHRI VAKKOMPURUSHOTHAMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India propose to sent up another permanent station in Antarctica;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) when the new station is expected to be opened and the objectives for setting up a third station in the icy continent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN):

(a) The Government have no immediate proposal to set up another permanent station in Antarctica.

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

Activities of Foreign-Based Terrorists

1928. SHRI PARASARAM BHARDWAJ:
SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some foreign-based terrorists have been operating in the country;

(b) if so, whether Government have identified these groups of terrorists, the country of their origin and the nature of their activities in the country; and

(c) the action taken by Government to check their activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE