

**Expansion and Modernisation of
Telephone Exchanges in Maharashtra**

1872. SHRI VILASRAO NAG-NATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to modernise and expand the telephone exchanges in Nanded and Parbhani districts in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be done?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) (i) At Nanded, CDOT-exchange of 2000 lines is planned to be installed during 9-95 and further expanded by 1500 lines.

(ii) At Parbhani, the existing automatic 1900 lines exchange is planned to be replaced by 3000 lines CDOT electronic exchange by the end of 8th Five Year Plan.

(iii) All manual exchanges in Nanded and Parbhani districts are planned to be replaced by electronic exchanges during 92-93.

(c) Does not arise.

(b) Modernisation and expansion is planned to be completed as indicated in part (b) above.

[English]

**Flights to Gulf Countries from
Kozhikode, Kerala**

1873. SHRI V.S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to introduce more flights to various gulf countries from Kozhikode, Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c). No such proposal has been received from the national carriers.

[Translation]

**Time Limit for Attending Telephone
Complaints**

1874. SHRI B.L. SHARMA
PREM:
SHRI PHOOL CHAND
VERMA:
SHRI ARVIND NETAM:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether telephone Service No. 198 is not working properly in Delhi;

(b) whether complaints of telephone disorder reported by the subscribers to this service number are not properly attended to;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) the maximum time prescribed for the redressal of the grievances of telephone disorder reported by the subscribers; and