

(b) The budgetary formalities are being completed. The Delhi Administration expect to create the posts in the current year.

(c) and (d). Since at present more male Supervisors/Inspectors (Physical Education) are available as a result of the transfer of 7 male Inspectors (Physical Education) and 1 female Inspector (Physical Education) from the Municipal Corporation of Delhi in 1978, there is some imbalance between male and female Supervisors/Inspectors. The Delhi Administration hope to correct this imbalance by creating more posts of female Supervisors/Inspectors (Physical Education).

International Symposium on Bustard

6776. SHRI MAN PHOOL SINGH
CHAUDHARY:

SHRI S. B. SIDNAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to hold an international symposium on "great Indian bustard" at Jaipur this year; and

(b) what steps are proposed to save this rare bird from extinction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) Tourism and Wildlife Society of India, Jaipur, a private organisation is proposing to organise an International Symposium on Bustards at Jaipur in November, 1980.

(b) The special steps taken by Government for the protection of the Great Indian Bustards are given in the attached statement.

STATEMENT

(1) The Great Indian Bustard has been included in Schedule I of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972. Hunting, killing or trapping of this bird is prohibited under the provisions of this Act and stringent penalties are provided for violation or breach.

(2) India is a party to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora since 1976. The Great Indian Bustard is included in Appendix I of this Convention which prohibits commercial exploitation and export of this specie.

(3) The Governments of Maharashtra, Karnataka, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh have formulated schemes for setting up sanctuaries specially for the protection of this rare bird.

(4) A project for the survey of endangered species, which include the Great Indian Bustard, has been drawn up by the Bombay Natural History Society and has been cleared by Government.

(5) Government has taken action to train some officers in captive breeding of this specie.

Shortage of Staff in Telephone Exchanges in Gujarat

6777. SHRI RAMJIBHAI MAVANI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortage of staff in various telephone exchanges in Gujarat and particularly in the districts of Junagarh, Porbandar, Rajkot, Jamnagar, Surendranagar, Bhavnagar, Amreli and the staff at present are unable to cope with the present handling of telephones;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to recruit more staff;

(c) the details of various categories of staff working at present there;

(d) how much strength has been sanctioned in each telephone exchange; and

(e) whether a number of representations and letters from employees and their organisations and M.Ps have

been received by Departments and Ministers in the matter, if so, the details thereof and action taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KARTIK ORAON):

(a) There is nominal shortage of staff in various exchanges and offices in Gujarat including telephone exchanges located in the Districts of Junagadh, Porbandar, Rajkot, Jamnagar, Surendranagar, Bhavnagar and Amreli. The handling of telephones is being managed with the available staff there satisfactorily.

(b) Some of the candidates already selected are under training. More recruitment is under process.

(c) The details of various categories of staff in Gujarat Circle have been given in Annexure-I.

(d) Staff sanctioned for each Telephone Exchange mentioned in (a) above has been shown in Annexure-II.

(e) The letters have been received from the Staff Unions, the detail of which has been given in Annexure-III. The representation and letters from various sources are received and looked into immediately. The recruitment programme is drawn up in light of these representations wherever found justified. In addition the position of staff is discussed in JCM meetings and in the meetings of Divisional Heads also to review the overall position and to take appropriate action thereon.

Statement-I

Details of various Categories of Staff working in Gujarat Circle

Sl. No.	Name of the cadre	No. of staff working
1.	Junior Accounts Officers	32
2.	Junior Engineers	471
3.	Telephone Inspectors	268
4.	Repeater Station Assistants	247
5.	Auto Exchange Assistants	10
6.	Wireless Operators	22
7.	H.S.G. Clerks	12
8.	L.S.G. Clerks	100
9.	T.S. Clerks	1289
10.	Senior Supervisors	15
11.	Junior Supervisors	340
12.	Stenographers	7
13.	Junior Accountant	1
14.	Line Inspectors	34
15.	Sub Inspectors	59
16.	Technicians	126
17.	Cable Splicers	93
18.	Motor Drivers	67
19.	Draftsmen	10
20.	Linemen	2462
21.	Wiremen	90
22.	Telephone Operators	3826

Statement-II

Staff Sanctioned for each Telephone Exchange in Gujarat Circle.

Sl. No.	Name of the cadre	Juna-gadh Ex-change	Por-bandar Ex-change	Suren-dranga Ex-change	Jam-nagar Ex-change	Bhau-nagar Ex-change	Amreli Excha-nge	Rajkot Excha-nge.
1	Junior Engineer.	13	5	7	18	21	7	31
2	Junior Supervisor	8	7	10	14	14	4	23
3	Telephone Operator.	121	81	104	157	135	43	237
4	Telephone Inspector.	4	4	4	11	9	2	16
5	Sub-Inspector	8	5	7	13	9	3	20
6	Lineman	32	32	26	72	66	17	110
7	Technician	15	15	11	47	36	10	72

Statement-III

Letters received from Staff Unions

1. From General Secretary of Linemen and Class IV Union dated 1-5-1979 regarding shortage of Linemen in Bhavnagar Division.

2. From National Union of Telegraph Engineering Employees Class III, Gujarat Circle dated 14-6-1980 regarding shortage of Technicians in Gujarat Circle.

3. From Circle Secretary, All India Telegraph Engineering Employees Union Class III dated 13-7-1980 regarding sanction of new posts of Junior Supervisors.

4. Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 344 answered on 2-7-1980, raised by Shri S. Kumaran, Shri Yogendra Sharma and Shri Bhupesh Gupta, M.Ps. regarding shortage of staff in Posts and Telegraphs Department as a whole.

5. Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4033 answered on 14-7-80, raised by Shri K. A. Rajan regarding shortage of staff in P & T Department as a whole.

6. Item No. 30, from Shri Sushil Bhattacharjee, M.P. for Consultative Committee Meeting of Parliament for the Ministry of Communications, regarding removal of causes of in-

efficiency/shortage of staff in P&T Services.

Committee on Asian Games

6778. SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that final decisions in regard to the proposals of Asian Games have been taken by the Central Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any Committee in this regard has been appointed; and

(d) if so, the members and terms of reference thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

(a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The dates for holding the Games (31st October, 1982 to 14th November, 1982) and Sports to be staged have been finalised. It has been decided to hold 12 Games in New Delhi, 6 in the neighbourhood at Rai and Yachting at Bombay. The venues for various Sports have been finalised and the plans and designs for the stadia to be constructed are being completed. A list of equipment required has been prepared. Final touches are being given to plans for preparation of Indian Sportsmen and women.