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Availability of Close Circuit TV Sets

1411. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the number of important stations in the country where close circuit - T.V. cameras and other security equipments have been made available?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): Nine important stations of Indian Railways have so far been provided with the facility of CCTV & other security equipment. These stations are Mumbai CST, Bhopal, Patna, New Delhi, Delhi Main, Lucknow Jn., Chennai, Bangalore, Trivandrum.

Setting up to Telephone Exchanges

- 1412. SHRIMATI SUBHAWATI DEVI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government contemplate to set up telephone exchanges in Trimudani Ghat, Bahere, Darbhanga in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the time by which these exchanges are likely to be set up; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) to (c) The information regarding Trimudani Ghat, Bahera and Darbhanga is as under:

Trimudani Ghat: There is no Registered Demand for new telephone connections at this place. So no telephone exchange is planned for this place presently. As per the policy of the Department, new telephone exchange will be planned as soon as the Registered Demand reaches 10 or more.

Bahera: This is a small place falling in the local area of Benipur exchange. So a separate exchange is not justified for this place. Telephone connections would given from Benipur Exchange.

Darbhanga: A 6000 lines electronic exchange is already working here. A 10000 lines new technology exchange has also been planned for 1997-98 for this place.

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Bio-Gas Plants in U.P. and Rajasthan

1413. DR. BALIRAM :

SHRI NARENDRA BUDANIA : SHRI ANANT GUDHE :

Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the target fixed and achievements made in the matter of setting up of bio-gas plants in Uttar Pradesh,

Rajasthan, Maharashtra and Haryana during the last three years till date, district-wise;

- (b) the details of plants functioning and those lying closed location-wise;
- (c) whether gas stoves are easily available in Market;
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the number of bio-gas plants proposed to be set up in the above States during the current financial year, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (CAPT. JAI NARAIN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) The information on targets and achievements for setting up of biogas plants under two Central Sector Schemes in the four States during the last three years i.e. 1994-95 to 1996-97 is given below:

State	National Project on Biogas Development		Community, Institutional and Night-soil Based Biogas Plant Programme	
	Target	Achieve- ment	Target	Achieve- ment
Haryana Maharashtra Rajasthan Uttar Pradesh	5200 32500 9500 31000	5706 43947 10772 31834	8 72 3 120	2 88 Nil 144

District-wise information on number of family type biogas plants set up in these four States during the last three years is given in the enclosed statement.

- (b) An evaluation study carried out by the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER), New Delhi in the year 1995-96, reported that about 85, 84, 31 and 73 per cent of the plants surveyed were found in working condition in the State of Haryana, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh, respectively. However, location-wise information in respect of nonfunctional plants is maintained on the basis of sample checks and complaints received in the Block/District/State Offices of the State nodal departments and programme implementing agencies.
 - (c) Yes, Sir.
 - (d) The question does not arise.
 - (e) A target of setting up of 2000, 15000, 1500 and 12000 family type and 5, 35, one and 50 community, institutional and night-soil based biogas plants has been allocated to the States of Haryana, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh, respectively. Besides, Khadi and Village Industries Commission, All India Women's Conference, etc., which have been given