

GUIDELINES FOR PRINTING TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

2171. **SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYA SADUL** : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any guidelines have been issued to District Telecommunication offices for periodical printing of Telephone Directory, if so, the details;

(b) whether most of the District Telecommunication offices have not adhered to such guidelines, if so, the reasons thereof; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by his ministry to direct concerned offices to adhere to these guidelines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir. The existing instructions provide for a periodicity of one year for publication of each edition of the Telephone Directory and in the Circles/Districts which are authorised to bring out editions in Hindi/Regional languages in addition to English, the publication of different editions should be staggered so as to have an interval of about six months between two editions of the directory.

(b) No Sir, the publication of Telephone Directories has been delayed in quite a few cases due to delay in finalisation of tenders, award of contracts and failure on the part of contractors to supply on time.

(c) Constant interaction is maintained with field units and instructions reiterated from time to time so that Telephone Directories are brought out every year.

ALLOCATION TO ROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES

2172. **SHRI BIRSINGH MAHATO** : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount allocated for road research and development schemes during the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) the details of expenditure on each scheme, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) An amount of Rs. 10 crores has tentatively been earmarked for Research and Development Schemes for roads during 8th Five Year Plan.

(b) Amounts released on Research and Development Schemes during 8th Five Year Plan are as under :—

S. No.	(Rs. in lakhs)	
	Amount Released	
	1992-93	1993-94
1. Road Schemes	56.66	9.60
2. Bridge Schemes	26.50	—
Total	83.16	9.60

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PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF GRANITE

2173. **SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR** : Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the production capacity of granite in the country as per the latest geological survey report;

(b) the total annual production of granite;

(c) whether any foreign investors have any interest in mining of granite; and

(d) the expected export potential of granite?