

one gravity magnetic field parties in Lunar-Ghotaru and Miajar-Sub-basins of Rajasthan. Exploratory drilling in Rajasthan by Oil and Natural Gas Commission is being carried out by deployment of two deep drilling rigs at wells Bhakhari Tibba-4 and Ghotaru-GTT.

Telephone Connections in Kerala

1572. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of telephone connections under OYT category; given in Kerala during 1988;

(b) the number of telephone connections under this category proposed to be given during 1989; and

(c) the total number of telephone connections under the categories given in Kerala during 1988?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The total number of telephone connections given in Kerala circle during 1988 under OYT category is 5746.

(b) Number of telephone connections under this category proposed to be given during 1989 would be about 5,000.

(c) The total number of telephone connections under other categories given in Kerala during 1988 is 12,172.

Committee on Problems of Small, Medium Newspapers

1573. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed a Committee to go into the problems of small, medium and language newspapers;

(b) if so, whether the Committee has submitted its report;

(c) if so, the details of the recommendation made by the Committee; and

(d) the details of recommendations accepted by Government?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir, an Expert Committee to go into the problems of Small and Medium Newspapers has been set up under the chairmanship of Shri Suman Dubey, Adviser, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

(b) No, Sir.

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

Use of TV Antenna in Hill Areas

1574. SHRI HUSSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of district Headquarters brought under Doordarshan coverage so far, State-wise:

(b) whether L.P.T. system does not give minimum coverage of mileage in the hilly areas; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to provide antenna in villages where Low Power Transmissions (LTT) fail to cover them?