

pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal before Government to take up special development schemes in the Telengana area and to set up a more autonomous body for implementing it ;

(b) if so, the main features thereof ; and

(c) the reasons for taking this decision ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) to (c). Special development schemes which will cost Rs. 45 crores by the end of the Fourth Five-Year Plan have already been taken up for the accelerated development of Telengana. These schemes are formulated on the recommendations of the Regional Committee and a close watch is kept on their implementation by the Telengana Development Committee and the Plan Implementation Committee and also through periodical review meetings held by the Prime Minister. There is no proposal to set up any autonomous body for this purpose.

#### **Expenditure on Local and Trunk Calls by Ministers**

6901. SHRI SHYAMNANDAN MISHRA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the amounts paid for local and trunk calls by the Members of the Council of Ministers during the period from January to March, 1971 ;

(b) the details of the above payments *i.e.* the payments made on personal account and on official account, separately ; and

(c) the figures for the corresponding period in 1970 ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) Statement showing the information is placed on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-823/71*].

(b) Information is being collected and will be placed on the Floor of the House in due course.

(c) Statement showing the information is placed on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-823/71*].

#### **Naxalite Activities in N. E. F. A. Area**

6902. SHRI C. C. GOHAIN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Naxalities have started their activities in the NEFA area since long ; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken or proposed to be taken to maintain law and order in that Union Territory specially when an alarming situation has arisen owing to the influx of refugees from Bangla Desh ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) There is no threat to law and order but vigilance is being maintained.

#### **Communications in N. E. F. A.**

6903. SHRI C. C. GOHAIN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether during the Sino-Indian conflict of 1962, our means of communications were very poor ;

(b) if so, the specific steps taken by Government since then ;

(c) whether the area from Hiyuliong to Walong Road in Lohit District of N.E.F.A. is the most neglected one ; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to improve the same ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) and (b). No, Sir. During the Sino-Indian