

(b) Does not arise.

**Civic Reception Held in Honour of Dacoits in Delhi**

522. SHRI RAM PRAKASH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Civic Reception held in honour of some dacoits in Delhi on 25th June, 1972 was attended by some Union Ministers and other officials of Government ; and

(b) whether it is the policy of Government to treat all the surrendered dacoits as VIPs ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN) : (a) No civic reception in honour of some dacoits was held in Delhi on the 25th of June 1972. However a reception was organised by the Gaudhi Peace Foundation which was attended amongst others by the Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs.

(b) No Sir.

**Loss on Post Cards**

523. SHRI RAM PRAKASH : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the quantum of Posts and Telegraphs Department losses per year on post cards ; and

(b) the quantum of Departments profit or loss on other postal items ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAIJUGUNA) : (a) The average quantum of loss, based on the figures of 1968-69 and 1969-70, on post cards is Rs. 6.37 crores per year.

(b) The estimated average profit or loss on other items, excluding post cards and agency functions, is as below :

*Losses*

1. Letter cards	Rs. 1.39 crores.
2. Regd. N. Papers.	3.48 "
3. Book Post	0.79 "
4. Registration	3.05 "
5. Value Payable	0.47 "
6. T. M. Os.	0.17 "

7. I. P. Os. 0.20 crores

8. Express Delivery 0.02 "

Rs. 9.57 "

*Profit*

1. Letters Rs. 9.04 crores.

2. Parcels 0.74 "

3. Insurance 0.22 "

4. Money Orders 0.02 "

Rs. 10 02 "

**Industrial Losses in Gujarat due to Power Shortage**

524. SHRI PRABHUDAS PATEL : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether five month long power shortage in Gujarat has resulted in production losses in the industrial sector ;

(b) if so, whether Central Government have decided to make certain schemes by which the industrial loss suffered will be recouped ; and

(c) if so, the broad outlines thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) :

(a) The State Government is not able to give any specific information about production losses in the Industrial Sector.

(b) This Ministry has no proposals in this regard.

(c) Does not arise.

**Japanese Style Rural Industries in Gujarat**

525. SHRI PRABHUDAS PATEL : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Central Government are aware of the Gujarat Government's decision to implement the Rs. 4 crore 'Japanese' style scheme to promote Rural Industries ;

(b) if so, the main features of the scheme; and