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#### Statement-I

## Details of Funds Allocated Aid Utilised for Srinagar SSA

(All figures in Rupees)

Year	Funds Allocated	Funds Utilised		
		Rural	Urban	Total
1993-94	59624000	9201788	30030000	39231788
1994-95	133230000	7921235	32705343	40626578
1995-96	242604000	12050000	190708412	202758412

#### Statement-II

Details of Projects Lagging Behind Schedule

## S.No. Particulars of the Project

- Out of 28 Milt Exchanges to be installed only 13 have been installed.
- Out of 13 Nos. of 256 Port Exchanges only 4 have been installed.
- Out of 5 Nos. of 512 Port Exchanges only 1 has been installed.
- Out of 3 Main OCB 283 Exchanges only one main exchange has been installed. Other two are likely to be completed in 1997-98. One RSU is being completed by 31.3.1997.
- IDR Earth Station (Satellite), yet to be received/ installed.
- 6. Out of 40 Nos. of Transmission System, six are nearing completion.
- 7. OFC Scheme:
  - (a) 34 MB OFC completed and ready for commissioning.
  - (b) 140 MBPS-Two schemes under progress.

[Translation]

# Use of Helicopters by Pawan Hans

1055. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that the Pawan Hans Limited has not made use of its fleet of nineteen helicopters during the last six years;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to check the wastage of funds?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) 19 Westland-30 helicopters were grounded due to safety reasons in 1991. However, the remaining fleet consisting of 27 helicopters is being used by Pawan Hans Helicopters Ltd.

(c) Action to dispose off the 19 Westland-30 helicopters has been initiated.

### Facilities at Muzaffarnagar Station

1056. SHRI SOHAN BEER: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have taken steps to provide more facilities at Muzaffarnagar station;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of additional facilities, likely to be provided at this station during the year 1997-98?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Work of provision of a foot-over-bridge from Mandi side at an anticipated cost of Rs. 25.02 lakh has been approved for inclusion in the Works Programme, 1997-98.

[English]

### **Backlog of various Posts**

1057. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total backlog of reserved vacancies in different cadres/posts in the Indian Railways;
- (b) the total number of posts filled up during 1996-97:
- (c) whether the established criteria to clear the backlog was followed during the above period; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) The number of identified backlog of reserved vacancies as on 30.6.96 for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the Zonal Railways/Production Units in recruitment categories are as following:

	SC	ST
Group 'C'	941	950
Group 'D'	1183	1646

(b) Out of the (a) above the following has been filled up as on 31.1.97:

	SC	ST
Group 'C'	441	415
Group 'D'	518	344

- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.