

[English]

**Daily Wage Workers in Telecom Divisions in Punjab**

8104. SHRI KAMAL CHAUDHRY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether several daily wage workers have been working in Telecom divisions in Punjab Circle for the past several years;

(b) if so, the number of skilled and unskilled workers on daily wage basis working there since 1984, division-wise;

(c) whether any steps have been taken to regularise their services;

(d) whether any retrenchment of these workers was made during the last three years; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor and the compensation provided to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The required information is furnished in the attached statement.

(c) Yes, Sir. Services of 154 of the above workers have since been regularised. The remaining eligible casual labourers have been granted temporary status in accordance with a scheme formulated in compliance with the direction of the Supreme Court.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise in view of reply to part (d) above.

**STATEMENT***Skilled and Unskilled Workers Working on Daily Wage Basis in Punjab Circle since 1984*

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Secondary Switching Area (formerly known as division)</i>	<i>No. of Skilled and Unskilled workers engaged on daily wages</i>
1	2	3
1.	Amritsar	333
2.	Chandigarh	202
3.	Jalandhar	129
4.	Ludhiana	335
5.	Patiala	132
6.	Ferozepur	154
7.	Sangrur	89

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1	2	3
8.	Bhatinda	121
9.	Hoshiarpur	82
10.	Pathankot	94
Total		1671

**Taking of Godowns on Rent by Rastriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Limited**

8105. SHRI VASANT SATHE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rastriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Limited has introduced a scheme for taking godowns on rental basis for storage of fertilizers for timely supply of inputs to farmers in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details of the parties who have rented godowns with capacity and rental rates and payment made during 1988-89 and 1989-90;

(c) whether any complaints have been received from the local trading community in

this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) M/s. Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Limited (RCF) normally store fertilizers in Maharashtra State Warehousing Corporation/Central Warehousing Corporation and Marketing Federation godowns wherever available. In order to supplement the capacity, private godowns are also hired by RCF. The details of the private godowns taken on hire year-wise are as follows: