

**STATEMENT**

*Statement of the number of accidents involving private buses under D.T.C. operation during the period from October, 1989 to March, 1990 and figures for the corresponding period during the last three years.*

<i>Period</i>	<i>Number</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
October, 1989	18
November, 1989	12
December,	9
January, 1990	11
February, 1990	8
March, 1990	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>

October, 1988	8
November, 1988	11
December, 1988	15
January, 1989	23
February, 1989	10
March, 1989	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>75</b>

October, 1987	147
November, 1987	167
December, 1987	141
January, 1988	131
February, 1988	126

<i>Period</i>	<i>Number</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
March, 1988	59
<b>Total</b>	<b>771</b>
October, 1986	168
November, 1986	147
December, 1986	128
January, 1987	134
February, 1987	120
March, 1987	135
<b>Total</b>	<b>832</b>

Note: Information for the period from October, 1986 to March, 1987 and October, 1987 to March, 1988 have been given from the records of DTC who has provided conductors to the private buses under DTC operation. Information for the periods from October, 1988 to March, 1989 and October, 1989 to March, 1990 have been obtained by the DTC from the police records.

[*Translation*]

**Setting up of Micro-wave Telecommunication Centre at Jhabua**

6670. SHRI DILEEP SINGH BHURIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the time by which micro-wave telecommunication centre set up in Jhabua district in Madhya Pradesh is likely to be commissioned;

(b) whether this centre is ready for a

long time and the necessary equipments are also available; and

(c) if so, the reasons for not making the said centre functional so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) A UHF Centre at Jhabua has been commissioned on 26.3.90.

(b) No, Sir. The complete equipment was received only in February'90 and the instalation was completed on 26.3.90.

(c) Not applicable.

[English]

#### Pepper Corporation of India

6671. SHRI PALAI K.M. MATHEW: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute a Pepper Corporation of India on the Lines of the Jute Corporation, Oilseeds Corporation, Coconut Corporation etc.,

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

(b)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The production and research aspects of pepper are well taken care of by the Ministry of Agriculture. The Spices Board constituted under the Ministry of Commerce is intended to develop, promote and regulate the export of spices including pepper. Therefore, it is felt that there is no need to constitute a separate Corporation for pepper.

#### Digital Electronic Exchanges in Delhi.

SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether new digital electronic exchanges have been opened in Delhi during this year; and

(b) if so, the cost incurred, exchange-wise?

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

<i>Name of exchange and code</i>	<i>Approximate Project Cost in Lakhs (Rs.)</i>
1	2
Janpath '371'	1900
Chhattarpur '727'	320
Delhi Gate '326/327'	1000
Vasant Kunj '689'	540