

gent Manufacturers' Association, Madras requesting for import of Do Decyl Benzene for carrying on their small scale industry of manufacturing soap etc. ; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) STC has arranged import of 3,000 tonnes of Do Decyl Benzene during 1984-85. For environmental reasons, use of Do Decyl Benzene in detergents is not considered advisable.

Visit of British Industrial Delegation to India

457. SHRI ANANTA PRASAD SETHI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a 9 member British Industrial Delegation representing small and medium companies had recently visited India to explore business opportunities as well as joint venture proposals ; and

(b) if so, the details regarding its report and the reaction of Union Government thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN) : (a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) The delegation had meetings with the Indian industrialists in Delhi and Bombay under the auspices of the Association of Indian Engineering Industry (AIEI). The discussions related to the possibilities of tie up in various areas such as petro chemicals, oil field equipment, mineral processing, electronics etc. for transfer of technology, production cooperation and joint ventures etc. These discussions may lead to further cooperation arrangements. Government would consider any concrete proposal on its merits, when received.

Delhi Telephone Directory

458. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR YADAV : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news item captioned Telephone directory muddle appeared in the Times of India dated the 10th February, 1985 ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) whether any enquiry has been made in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) : Details are given in the Statement attached.

Statement

Distribution of 1984 English issue of Delhi Telephones directory corrected upto 30th June, 1984 was started through distribution centres set up at various telephone exchanges in Delhi Telephone District. Due to inadequate supply of printed copies from the Printer, the distribution could not be done simultaneously at all the places. Due publicity through local newspapers regarding timing and period of distribution was given.

2. An enquiry has been conducted on the news item captioned "Telephone Directory Muddle" which appeared in the Times of India issue of 10th February, 1985. It has been revealed that a distribution centre was opened at Hauz Khas Telephone Exchange on 25.1.1985 for one week. The centre was closed on 2.2.85. A notice intimating that distribution of the Directory at this centre has been stopped and the subscribers who have not been able to get their copies can do so from the office of the Directory Officer, Eastern Court, New Delhi was put up at the main gate as well as at the enquiry office.