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[Translation]

Post and Telecom Facilities in Uttar Pradesh

877. SHRI SATYA DEO SINGH : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether postal and telecom facilities are inadequate in Uttar Pradesh in comparison to other States;

(b) if so, the details with reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to provide the above facilities in Uttar Pradesh at par with other States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) *Postal facility*: No, Sir. The details of State-wise average area and population served per post office are given in the statement-I. A post office in Uttar Pradesh serves an average population and area 6233 and 14.69 sq.km. respectively in comparison to the all India average of 5526 and 21.4 which is generally satisfactory compared to other States.

Telecom facility : No, Sir. It is true that at present the telephone density per 1000 population in Uttar Pradesh State is relatively lower as compared to some of other States, it is growing rapidly and by 1997, when the telephone becomes available on demand, the teledensity of Uttar Pradesh State is likely to reach the figure comparable to other States of the country. The status of state-wise telephone density per 1000 population as on 1.1.96 is given in the enclosed statement I

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) *Postal facility* : The steps taken to expand the postal facilities in Uttar Pradesh at par with other States are given below : -

(i) Post offices opened during the last three years : -	
Extra departmental branch post offices	195
Departmental sub post offices	28
(ii) No. of multi purpose counter machines installed	149
(iii) No. of Post offices modernised	35
(iv) No. of Panchayat Sanchar Seva Kendra sanctioned	229

Telecom facility :

Does not arise in view of (a) above

STATEMENT - I

Details of State wise average area and population served per post office.

S.No.	Name of State / Union Territory	Area Served per post office (sq. Km)	Population served per post office
1	2	3	4
States			
1.	Andhra Pradesh	16.97	4095
2.	Assam	20.60	5887
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	295.91	3054
4.	Bihar	14.70	7423
5.	Goa	14.86	4693
6.	Gujarat	22.01	4643
7.	Haryana	17.10	6368
8.	Himachal Pradesh	20.42	18.97
9.	J&K	130.85	3782
10.	Karnataka	19.62	4579
11.	Kerala	7.73	5789
12.	Madhya Pradesh	26.55	5897
13.	Maharashtra	25.13	6417
14.	Manipur	33.27	2722
15.	Meghalaya	46.98	3683
16.	Mizoram	55.04	1791
17.	Nagaland	55.44	4065
18.	Orissa	19.28	3922
19.	Punjab	12.96	6197
20.	Rajasthan	33.27	4279
21.	Sikkim	36.20	2059
22.	Tamil Nadu	10.67	4683
23.	Tripura	14.95	3933
24.	Uttar Pradesh	14.69	6233
25.	West Bengal	10.46	8088
Union Territories			
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	49.02	2866
2.	Chandigarh	2.28	12814
3.	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	14.44	3049

1	2	3	4
4.	Daman & Diu	6.59	6975
5.	Delhi	2.68	17035
6.	Lakshadweep	3.2	5173
7.	Pondicherry	4.92	7894
All India Total		21.49	5526

STATEMENT-II

Statewise status Tel/1000 population as on 1.1.96

Name of the State/ Union Territory	Status of Tel/1000 Population as on 1.1.96
1	2
1. Andhra Pradesh	11.1
2. Assam	4.53
3. Bihar	3.1
4. Gujarat	20.29
5. Dadar and Nagar Haveli	11.09
6. Daman & Diu	28.5
7. Haryana	16.79
8. Himachal Pradesh	17.97
9. J&K	6.49
10. Karnataka	15.88
11. Kerala	20.83
12. Lakshadweep	66.52
13. Madhya Pradesh	8.59
14. Maharashtra (Including MTNL Bombay)	27.39
15. Goa	40.1
16. Arunachal Pradesh	10.93
17. Tripura	4.12
18. Mizoram	16.06
19. Nagaland	7.8
20. Meghalaya	8.64
21. Manipur	6.03
22. Orissa	4.92
23. Punjab	21.31
24. Chandigarh	77.78

1	2
25. Rajasthan	9.79
26. Tamil Nadu (incl-MS)	15.57
27. Pondicherry	22.13
28. Uttar Pradesh	5.31
29. West Bengal (Including Calcutta)	7.86
30. Sikkim	10.99
31. Andaman Nicobar	15.37
32. Delhi	110.75
All India	12.78

[English]

Cadre Restructuring Scheme

878. SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a cadre restructuring scheme has been introduced in the Department of Telecom;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the names of duly restructured cadres;

(c) whether it has been implemented in all the telecom circles;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the time by which this scheme is likely to be implemented in all telecom circles ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes Sir, A cadre restructuring scheme has been introduced in Telecom.

(b) In view of the operational requirements of new technology the Department has introduced the following restructured cadres.

1. Phone Mechanic
2. Telecom Technical Assistant
3. Senior Telecom Operating Assistant

(c) Yes Sir, However, the officials who are to be absorbed in the restructured cadres are being trained in batches. The last batch is likely to be trained by 31st March, 1997

(d) and (e). Question does not arise.

[Translation]

U.H.F. Facility in Himachal Pradesh

879 PROF. PREM DHUMAL : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :