

**Opening of new Telephone Exchanges in Kerala**

634. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new telephone exchanges proposed to be opened during this year in Kerala; and

(b) the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) 28 Telephone exchanges are planned to be opened in Kerala during 1991-92.

(b) (i) Two new telephone exchanges already opened are:

1. KOTTAYAM UNIT III-5000L E10B.
2. IRUMPUPALAM MILT 64 P.

Electronic Exchange	E10B (3)	TRIVANDRUM Medical College	10000L
		Ernakulam-Panampally Nagar	6500L
		Trichur	5000L
Cross Bar Exchange	ICP (i)	Alleppey	3000L

[Translation]

**Electronic Telephone exchange at Darbhanga in Bihar**

635. SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to set up an electronic telephone exchange at Darbhanga in Bihar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A 2000 line electronic exchange is proposed to be installed at Darbhanga during 1993-94.

(ii) 26 telephone exchanges proposed to be opened during remaining part of 1991-92 are as under:

128 P C-DOT exchanges at Vazhayoor, Chempancode, Varadoor, Thothumukkom, Kappad, Periya (Wynad) Elamkulam, Kottiyur, Thillengeri, Malayattoor, Ayyampuzha, Chellanam, Kanjikuzhy, Pothencode, Aruvikara, Korenchira and Kuzhur. (17).

256 P C-DOT exchanges at:

Mangattuparamba, Kumbalangi and Cherai. (3).  
512 P ILT exchanges at: Beyeppore and Cheruvancherry. (2).

[English]

**Indo-Sri Lanka Joint Commission of Schedule of the Constitution**

636. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and Sri Lanka have agreed to set up a Joint Commission at the Foreign Ministers level to enhance and strengthen bilateral ties;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAV-SINH SOLANKI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) During the visit of the then External Affairs Minister to