

<i>Post/Grade</i>	<i>No. of persons recruited</i>	<i>No. of Scheduled Castes</i>	<i>No. of Scheduled Tribes</i>
ASI	30	9	5
Head Constable	618	172	27
Constable	3666	871	414
Civilians (Libration, Book binder, etc)	8	3	—

Opening of Telephone Exchanges

570. SHRI MULLAFALLY RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone exchanges opened in each State/Union Territory during the last three year, year-wise:

(b) the main achievements of C-DOT in communication development;

(c) the plans for expansion of telephone exchanges in Kerala during 1990-91; and

(d) the steps taken or expediting procurement/production of MAX-III type equipment for telephone exchanges?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) The information is given in the statement below.

(b) C-DOT has indigenously developed a family of digital switching system suitable

for Indian conditions using largely indigenous components and talent viz:

1. 128 Ports PABX.

2. 128 Ports RAX for Rural application.

3. 512 Ports MAX for towns and small cities.

4. 16,000 Ports MAX-I exchange is also under development.

(c) In the year 1990-91, it is planned to expand the existing exchanges in Kerala by about 17,000 lines and to commission 90 Nos. of new telephone exchanges of various sizes with a total capacity of 50,000 lines. This programme is, however, subject to the availability of equipment.

(d) In addition to M/S Indian Telephone Industries which was the only supplier of this equipment so far, department is now procuring MAX-III exchange equipment from eleven indigenous manufacturers.

STATEMENT

State-wise list of new telephone exchanges opened during last three years

Sl. No.	Name of State	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	111	75	58
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	2	1	2
3.	Assam	—	18	17
4.	Bihar	20	12	21
5.	Gujarat	30	22	46
6.	Goa	1	1	1
7.	Haryana	20	28	30
8.	Himachal Pradesh	19	23	26
9.	J & K	5	12	11
10.	Karnataka	147	49	132
11.	Kerala	14	12	12

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of State</i>	<i>1986-87</i>	<i>1987-88</i>	<i>1988-89</i>
1	2	3	4	5
12.	Madhya Pradesh	80	93	100
13.	Maharashtra	101	88	81
14.	Manipur	1	1	3
15.	Meghalaya	2	—	2
16.	Mizoram	—	4	2
17.	Nagaland	—	1	—
18.	Orissa	32	27	30
19.	Punjab	30	29	42
20.	Rajasthan	59	40	63
21.	Sikkim	1	—	—
22.	Tamil Nadu	60	60	20 (including Pondicherry)
23.	Tripura	3	4	2

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of State</i>	<i>1986-87</i>	<i>1987-88</i>	<i>1988-89</i>
1	2	3	4	5
24.	Uttar Pradesh	110	62	77
25.	West Bengal	18	11	34
<i>Union Territories</i>				
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1	—	—
2.	Chandigarh	—	—	2
3.	Delhi	5	1	1
4.	Diu-Daman	—	—	—
5.	Lakshadweep	—	1	—