

**Electronic Exchanges in Gujarat**

1003. DR. K.D. JESWANT:  
SHRI N.J. RATHVA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of electronic exchanges at present in Gujarat, district-wise;

(b) the number of new electronic exchanges planned during the current year, district-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to provide STD facility in some towns in Gujarat during current year; and

(d) if so, the names of the towns se-

lected for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) There are a total number of 596 electronic exchanges in Gujarat. The details SSA/Distt. wise are placed at Statement-I

(b) A total number of 37 electronic exchanges have been planned during the current year, SSA/District-wise details are placed at statement-II.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) 33 towns are proposed to be provided with the STD facility in Gujarat by 31-3-93. The details are placed Statement -III.

**STATEMENT - I**

Sl. No.	Name of SSA/District	No. of Ele. Exchanges as on 11-1-93
1.	Ahmedabad (Incl. Gandhinagar)	37
2.	Baroda	35
3.	Rajkot	49
4.	Surat	31
5.	Bhavnagar	31
6.	Mehsana	57
7..	Junagadh	28
8.	Jamnagar	21
9.	Banaskatha (Palanpur)	55
10.	Amreli	22
11.	Valsad (Incl. Dangs)	27
12.	Surendranagar	18
13.	Bhuj	21

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of SSA/District</i>	<i>No. of Ele. Exchanges as on 11-1-93</i>
14.	Kheda (Nadiad)	55
15.	Panchmahals (Godhra)	24
16.	Bharuch	29
17.	Sabarkantha (Himatnagar)	56
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**STATEMENT-II**

<i>SL.No.</i>	<i>Name of SSA/District</i>	<i>No. of electronic Exchanges Planned Dudring this year (to be commissioned by 31.3.93)</i>
1.	Ahmedabad (Incl Ganmdhinagar)	4
2.	Baroda	1
3.	Rajkot	6
4.	Surat	6
5.	Bhavanagar	5
6.	Mehsana	4
7.	Junagadh	6
8.	Jamnagar	2
9.	Banaskanatha (Palanpur)	7
10.	Amreli	6
11.	Valsad (Incl. Dangs)	5
12.	Surendranagar	3
13.	Bhuj	6
14.	Kheda (Nadiad)	9
15.	Panchmahals (Godhra)	7
16.	Bharuch	5
17.	Sabarkantha (Himatnagar)	5

**STATEMENT-III**

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of the Place.</i>	<i>District</i>
1.	Chhotaudepur	Baroda
2.	Kamrej	
3.	Mandvi	
4.	Valod	Surat
5.	Kosamba	
6.	Otpad	
7.	Jasdan	
8.	Kotda Sanghani	Rajkot
9.	Dhari	Amreli
10.	Lathi	
11.	Dhanera	
12.	Radhanpur	Banaskantha
13.	Jambusar	
14.	Vaghra	Bharuch
15.	Amod	
16.	Gariadhar	
17.	Talaja	Bhavnagar
18.	Sihor	
19.	Santrampur	Panchmahals
20.	Jhalod	
21.	Mangrol	
22.	Talala	Junagadh
23.	Visavadar	
24.	Vanthali	

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of the Place.</i>	<i>District</i>
25.	Umreth	Kheda
26.	Harij	Mehsana
27.	Kheraiu	
28.	Idar	Sabarkantha
29.	Dhansura	
30.	Bhiloda	
31.	Muli	Surendranagar
32.	Halvad	
33.	Bhilad	Valsad

**Thermal Power Plant in Muddanar in A.P.**

1004. SHRI DHARMABHIKSHAM: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a thermal power plant is being set up at Muddanar in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the stage at which the project is pending; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to start production and the total power generation expected therefrom and in how many stages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c). A thermal power project at Muddanur in Andhra Pradesh with an ultimate capacity of 840 MW is envisaged to be set up in two stages. Stage-I comprising two units of 210 MW each is under construction. The first units is expected to be commissioned by February, 1994 and the second unit by August, 1994. Stage-II of the project comprising two units of 210 MW each has not revived techno-economic clearance by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA). Work on this project can commence only after it has received techno-economic approval of CEA and investment