

P & T and Telephone Exchanges

4386 SHRI HARADHAN ROY Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) the details of post and telegraph offices and telephone exchanges in the country at present, State-wise

(b) whether the number of existing post and telegraph offices is not in commensurate with the population, and

(c) if so the steps taken by the Government during the last three years to increase their number?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) (a) The details of the Post and Telegraph Offices and Telephone Exchanges in the country at present state-wise are given in the attached Statements I II and III respectively

(b) Post Offices

No sir The All-India average of popula-

tion served by a post office is 5827 as per the 1991 census which is reasonably adequate

Telegraph Offices

Yes, Sir The number of existing Telegraph Offices is inadequate to provide facility for all the population

(c) Post Offices

Post Offices are opened under Annual Plans In the last 3 years 3926 new post offices have been opened

Telegraph Offices

Department has taken steps to provide Telegraph facility as far as possible in all Post Offices where Telephone facility has been extended, through Long Distance Public Telephones/Public Call Offices

STATEMENT - I

The details of the total number of Post Offices functioning in the country Circle-wise as on date 20 3 93

<i>Sl No</i>	<i>Name of Circle</i>	<i>Total No of Post Offices</i>
1	Andhra Pradesh	16214
2	Assam	3759
3	Bihar	11616
4	Delhi	543
5	Gujarat	8900
6	Haryana	2562
7	Himachal Pradesh	2625
8	Jammu & Kashmir	1578

<i>Sl No</i>	<i>Name of Circle</i>	<i>Total No of Post Offices</i>
9	Karnataka	9742
10	Kerala	5000
11	Madhya Pradesh	11136
12	Maharashtra	12370
13	North East	2704
14	Onssa	8000
15	Punjab	3874
16	Rajasthan	10197
17	Tamil Nadu	12164
18	J'tar Pradesh	19462
19	West Bengal	5717
Grand Total		151163

STATEMENT - II*State-wise Telegraph Office*

<i>Sl No</i>	<i>Name of State/Union Territory</i>	<i>Total No of Post Offices</i>
1	Andhra Pradesh	4038
2	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	56
3	Assam	476
4	Bihar	3766
5	Chandigarh	21
6	Delhi	52
7	Goa Daman & Diu	76

<i>Sl No</i>	<i>Name of State/Union Territory</i>	<i>Total No of Post Offices</i>
8	Gujarat (include Dabar & Nagar Haveli)	1809
9	Haryana	394
10	Himachal Pradesh	724
11	Jammu & Kashmir	442
12	Karnataka	4119
13	Kerala (includes Lakshdweep)	2082
14	Madhya Pradesh	4017
15	Maharashtra	2516
16	North Eastern Region (Arunchal Pradesh Manipur Meghalaya Mizoram Nagaland & Tripura)	223
17	Onssa	2777
18	Pondicherry	35
19	Punjab	587
20	Rajasthan	1736
21	Sikkim	36
22	Tamil Nadu	5854
23	Uttar Pradesh	5894
24	West Bengal	1486

STATEMENT - III*Telephone Exchanges As on 31 1 93*

<i>Sl No</i>	<i>Name of th Unit</i>	<i>No of Exchange</i>
1	Andhra Pradesh	2007

<i>Sl No</i>	<i>Name of th Unit</i>	<i>No of Exchange</i>	
2	Assam	239	
3	Bihar	554	
4	Gujarat	1103	
5	Haryana	507	
6	Himachal Pradesh	355	
7	Jammu & Kashmir	160	
8	Karnataka	1745	
9	Kerala	679	
10	Madhya Pradesh	1711	
11	Maharashtra	1840	(Including Goa State)
12	North East	174	(Make up of Misoram Meghalya, Manipur Arunachal, Tripura & Nagaland)
13	Onssa	567	
14	Punjab	601	
15	Rajasthan	976	
16	Tamil Nadu	1257	(Pondicherry 10 inclusive)
17	Uttar Pradesh	1348	
18	West Bengal	487	(Including Sikkim 15, Andman & Nicobar-12)
19	Bombay	125	
20	Calcutta	58	
21	Delhi	79	
22	Madras	37	
Total		16609	