

Telephone Connections

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SHRI HARISH NARAYAN
PRABHU ZANTYE:
SHRI BIR SINGH MAHATO:
SHRI SOBHANADREES-
WARA RAO VADDE:
SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA
RAJE:
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:
SHRI K. PRADHANI:
SHRI SIMON MARANDI:
PROF. RASA SINGH
RAWAT:
SHRI S.B. SIDNAL:
SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICA-
TIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons on the
waiting list of telephone connections as on
date, State/Union Territory-wise;

(b) the number of telephone con-
nections released during the last three

years and current year, State-wise, and
category-wise;

(c) the target fixed for 1993-94,
State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to
be taken to reduce the waiting list?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P.V.
RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Information is
given in Col. '3' of the attached *State-
ment*.

(b) Information is being compiled
and will be placed on the Table of the
House.

(c) Information is given in Col. 4 of
the attached *Statement*.

(d) 8th Five Year Plan of Deptt. of
Telecommunication envisages waiting pe-
riod not to exceed two years in large
telephone systems and telephone practi-
cally on demand in rural/tribal areas.

STATEMENT

S. No. Name of the State		Waiting list as on 31.3.1994	DELs Target for 1993-94
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	155426	77000
2.	Assam	9820	13000
3.	Bihar	35544	27000
4.	Gujarat (Includes Dadar & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, U.Ts.)	198808	81000
5.	Haryana	67335	41000
6.	Himachal Pradesh	18415	10000

1	2	3	4
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	18190	7000
8.	Karnataka	165886	62000
9.	Kerala (Includes Lakshdweep U.T.)	314442	53000
10.	Madhya Pradesh	52587	98000
11.	Maharashtra (Includes Goa State)	341529	156800
12.	North East (Includes Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland & Tripura)	5217	7300
13.	Orissa	4171	26000
14.	Punjab (Includes Chandigarh U.T.)	189462	51000
15.	Rajasthan	162571	62000
16.	Tamil Nadu (Includes Pondicherry U.T.)	310992	96700
17.	Uttar Pradesh	125496	115000
18.	West Bengal (Includes Sikkim State, Andaman & Nicobar Islands)	68083	93600
19.	Delhi	250901	76600

[English]

**Development of National Highways
In Assam**

4557. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN:
Will the Minister of SOURCE TRANS-
PORT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of projects for devel-
opment of the National Highways in the
State sent by the Government of Assam
during last year;

(b) the number out of them cleared
or sent back for review; and

(c) the fund sanctioned for the
cleared projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF
THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANS-

PORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to
(c). 33 National Highway project propos-
als aggregating to Rs. 90.27 crores were
received from the Government of Assam
for Development of National Highways in
the State during the year 1993-94. Out of
these 21 projects aggregating to Rs. 4.48
crores have been sanctioned and 8
projects aggregating to Rs. 69.55 crores
have been sent back for review.

[Translation]

**Assistance for Identifying Investment
Potentials**

4558. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUD-
HARY: Will the Minister of FOOD PRO-
CESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to
state:

(a) the assistance provided by the
Government to organisations, for identi-