

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) The break-up of the Postal stationery (Envelopes, Inland letter, cards and Postcards) supplied by the Security Printing Press at Nashik during the last three years and by the Security Printing Press, Hyderabad during 1994-95, in crore pieces, is furnished in the enclosed Statement. Supply made by the Security Printing Press during the previous two years is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) to (f). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

Supplies Made by India Security Press, Nashik and Security Printing Press Hyderabad,

(in crore pieces)

A. India Security Press, Nashik

Year	Single Post Card	Reply Card	Letter Card	Envelope
1992-93	41.07	10.48	55.89	20.50
1993-94	41.70	10.26	52.50	20.56
1994-95	53.81	32.09	39.82	18.07

B. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad

1994-95 (Upto 19.3.1995)	36.10	-	34.10	8.97
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Telephone Connections

3696. SHRI JAGMEET SINGH BRAR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have fixed a target to achieve the capacity of providing telephone connections on demand to all the persons waiting for telephone connection in the metropolitan cities of the country;

(b) if so, the time by which this target is likely to be achieved;

(c) the estimated total capital likely to be invested therein;

(d) the sources of capital;

(e) whether the Government have achieved the target fixed for sanctioning telephone connections in 1994;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The National Telecom Policy, 1994 envisages provision of telephone connections on demand by 1997

all over the country including the four metropolitan cities - viz. New Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras.

(c) About Rs. 5,600 crores is estimated as the likely capital investment required for providing telephone on demand in metro cities.

(d) The sources of capital to meet the requirement as at are :

the internal resources, market borrowing in the form Telecom Bonds, lease of equipment and likely investment by private sector.

(e) and (f). No, Sir. 4.4 lakh telephone lines have been provided in the four metro-cities against the target of 5.23 lakhs fixed for 1994-95.

(g) Due to delay in the supply of equipment, the target for 1994-95 in the four metro-cities could not be met.

LPG Agencies

3697. SHRI CHANDRESH PATEL : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Gujarat has sent any proposals to the Union Government for setting up LPG agencies in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the decision taken by the Government thereon; and

(d) the number of LPG agencies proposed to be allotted in Jamnagar during 1995 and 1996?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

(d) Two locations have been included for Jamnagar in the LPG Marketing Plan(s). Interview for one location has already been conducted. It generally takes about 1-2 years for commissioning of distributorships from the date of advertisement.

[Translation]

LPG Marketing Scheme in U.P.

3698. DR. SAKSHIJI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the places of Uttar Pradesh which have been included in LPG marketing scheme during the last two years;

(b) whether the Union Government have brought certain new places under LPG marketing scheme in this State during 1994-95;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?