

**Working of Telephone Exchange in
Rajamundry Division in Andhra
Pradesh**

3172. SHRI A. J. V. B. MAHESWARA
RAO : Will the Minister of COMMUNI-
CATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Telephone Exchanges are not working satisfactorily in Rajamundry Division in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether any representations have been received in this regard;

(c) if so, the remedial steps taken;

(d) whether in Konaseema area automatic system has not been introduced;

(e) if so, the reasons thereof;

(f) the remedial steps proposed;

(g) whether it is a fact that many of these exchanges are under staffed; and

(h) if so, corrective steps proposed to be taken ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) No
Sir, All telephone exchanges in Rajahmundry
Division are generally working satisfactorily.

(b) Representations were received from certain subscribers of telephone exchanges around Ravulapalem and Anparthi areas stating that they are unable to get parent exchanges immediately for registering their demands.

(c) (i) Adequate number of junctions have been provided as per traffic requirements.

(ii) New cables have been provided to reduce the local faults in Rayavaram area.

(d), (e) and (f) (i). In Konaseema area, projects have already been sanctioned for automatization of manual exchanges of Amalapuram, Ravulapalem and are programmed for commissioning in 1985-86.

(ii) Mummidivaram in programmed to be automatized in Seventh Plan

(iii) All these stations are being linked with coaxial cable systems.

(g) No Sir, adequate staff has been posted.

(h) Question does not arise in view of (g) above.

[Translation]

**Telephones in Bharatpur Area of
Rajasthan**

3173. SHRI LALA RAM KEN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether telephones in Bharatpur area of Rajasthan remain out of order for most of the time;

(b) if so, the action proposed to be taken to keep those telephones in order;

(c) whether there is a proposal for new telephone lines in view of the people's demand;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the scheme for the development of telephone system in this area, if any ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) No,
Sir, Telephones in Bharatpur area of Rajasthan do not remain out of order for most of the time though the fault rate is slightly higher.

(b) All efforts are being made to improve the maintenance and operation of the telephone system in this area.

(c) Yes, Sir. The present exchange is being expanded by 200 lines during 1985-86.

(d) Question does not arise in view of the reply at (c) above.

(e) A 2000 lines Crossbar type telephone exchange has been planned for Bharatpur, the equipment for which will be supplied during 1985-86.