

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

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TELEPHONE POLES IN ARAM BAGH AREA
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that some telephone poles installed in Aram Bagh area and falling under Idgah Exchange are in deplorable conditions;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to replace these telephone poles;
- (d) whether the Government are also aware that most of the telephone connections provided through these deplorable poles remain out of order for months together and the cables provided to the subscribers from the said poles are also facing the similar fate; and
- (e) the steps, Government propose to take to remove the complaints of the subscribers in Aram Bagh Area?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

- (a)&(b): In some pockets of Aram Bagh area, there are a few poles which are not in very good condition and about 2-4 DPs are installed on the one pole. This is due to high density of telephones in that area.
- (c) Rehabilitation of external plant has already been planned. It is proposed to install only wall type DP in future and progressively shift the existing DPs to locations nearer to customer premises on the walls thereby removing the poles altogether.
- (d) Some of the telephones were affected for a few days due to cable breakdowns on account of ingress of rain water in the cables. However, expeditious action was taken to repair the cables and restore the services to normal.
- (e) Expeditious action is being taken to attend to all complaints booked in the area.