

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:687  
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TELECOM DISTRICTS  
ANANTA NAYAK

**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of Telecom districts in each State as on January 31, 2001;
- (b) whether the Government propose to set up new telecom districts during 2001-2002; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, location-wise?

**Answer**

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

(a) Information is at Annexure.

(b) & (c): Each Telecom District or S.S.A. (Secondary Switching Area) is a basic unit of operation for the purpose of administration, charging, routing and numbering plans. As per the existing policy, SSAs are not being generally bifurcated because of administrative and operational reasons, but the existing Telecom Districts are being upgraded to the level of Telecom District Managers/General Managers/Principal General Managers depending upon the workload of the Telecom District.