

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3530
ANSWERED ON:17.04.2000
TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN GUJARAT
BABUBHAI KHIMABHAI KATARA

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of telephone exchanges functioning at present in Gujarat particularly in Dahod region, district-wise;
- (b) the number of new telephone exchanges set up during the last three years till date in the State and said region, district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government propose to set up some new telephone exchanges and modernize the existing exchanges during 2000-2001 in the state and the said region;
- (d) If so, the details thereof, location-wise;
- (e) The amount earmarked for the purpose; and
- (f) The steps taken by the Government in this regard ? *****

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS

(SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

- (a) & (b) The details of number of telephone exchanges functioning and set-up in last three years in Gujrat and Dahod District are given in Annexure.
- (c) All the existing 2163 telephone exchanges are electronic and modernized. 100 new telephone exchanges are proposed to be set-up during the year 2000-2001 in Gujrat.
- (d) Six new exchanges are proposed in Dahod at Kadwal, Bordi, Chosala, Mirakhedi, Pethapur and Kalia-Kota. The locations for remaining new exchanges are being finalized.
- (e) The Demands for Grant for the year 2000-2001 are yet to be approved by the Parliament. The funds for setting up new telephone exchanges in Gujrat for the year 2000-2001 will be fixed only after the Demands for Grants for the year 2000-2001 are approved by the Parliament.
- (f) The hiring of building is in progress and equipment is being ordered.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3530 FOR 17.04. REGARDING TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN GUJARAT.
ANNEXURE

District-wise details of no. of telephone exchanges functioning and set up in last three years in Gujarat and Dahod district.

Sl. Name of the No. of Telephone No. of Telephone Exchanges
No. District exchanges functioning set-up during the year
as on 31.3.2000 1997-98 1998-99 1999-2000

- 1. Ahmedabad 44 03 01 03
- 2. Gandhinagar 107 04 04 02
- 3. Amreli 117 03 06 05
- 4. Bharuch 84 02 04 03

5. Narmada 16 01 01
6. Bhavnagar 104 05 01 02

7 Kutchh (Bhuj) 130 04 04 08

8. Dahod 33 01 01

9. Panchmahal 73 02 02 04
10. Jamnagar 100 01 02
11. Junagadh 87 01 03 15
12. Porbander 26 01 03
13. Savarkantha(Himatnagar) 126 01 03 07
14. Mehsana 146 04 10 06
15. Patan 70 04 10
16. Kheda (Nadiad) 94 01 01 05
17. Anand 74 01
18. Banaskantha(Palanpur) 189 07 11 16
19. Rajkot 138 06 12 06
20. Surat 99 02 01 01
21. Surendranagar 99 04 07 10
22. Vadodara 109 07 06 05
23. Valsad 36 01 01 01
24. Navsari 59 04
25. Dang 03

TOTAL 2163 58 84 121