

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

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TELECOM FACILITIES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount of security deposit on waiting list during last three years and as on April 1, 2001, State-wise;
- (b) the steps taken to minimise the waiting lists;
- (c) the total amount of each security deposits remained unutilized due to non-feasibilities in installation of telephone connections during the said period and compensation offered to such depositors;
- (d) whether the Union Government are contemplating to lay cable to all villages with population one thousand or more in rural areas;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the measure taken to mitigate hardship to such telephone seekers by issuing demand notices on feasibility alone instead of demanding advance security deposits in all fairness?

Answer

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

- (a) to (f): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.