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MOBILE VAN SERVICE FOR PAYMENT OF TELEPHONE BILLS

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the name of places where mobile van service has been introduced for payment of telephone bills in metro cities as on date;
- (b) whether the Government propose to introduced this service in some more places of metro cities;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, place-wise; and
- (d) if not, the reason thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

- (a) Mobile van service for collection of telephone bills is available in Delhi only.
- (b) & (c): Introduction of mobile van services depends upon available resources and the need, which are reviewed in regular intervals.
- (d) The collection of telephone bills have been allowed through various branches of nationalized banks and a large network of post offices, in addition to Customer Service Centers, Cash Counters, Departmental Telegraph Offices/Central Telegraph Offices, Voluntary Deposit Scheme and the Electronic Clearing Scheme.