

The distance limit will be the same as above except that in hilly areas, the minimum distance limit can be relaxed by the Directorate in cases where such relaxation is warranted by special circumstances which should be clearly explained while submitting a proposal.

(iii) *Anticipated income:*a) *In normal areas:*

The minimum anticipated revenue will be 33 1/3% of cost.

b) *In hilly, tribal, desert and Inaccessible areas:*

The minimum anticipated income will be 15% of the cost.

Departmental sub post offices (Plan)

Since November, 1987 Departmental sub post offices are also sanctioned under the Plan scheme subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) The scheme covers departmental sub offices to be set up in project areas, new industrial estates/townships/satellite colonies developed in the periphery of cities/urban agglomerations and other similar developments which have come up in new areas in pursuance of the plan activities of State and Central Government departments and agencies. In other words, the concept of postal

sector plan to be enlarged to cover the postal infrastructure required for the overall National Plan.

- (ii) The proposed sub office should have a minimum anticipated work-load of 5 hours per day.

- (iii) While departmental sub offices are expected to be financially self-supporting, in rural areas a loss upto Rs. 2400/- per annum is allowed (Rs. 4800/- in hilly/backward/tribal areas).

[English]

Waiting List for Telephone Connections

1637. DR. C. SILVERA:
SHRI UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU:
SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV:
KUMARI DIPIKA CHIKHLIA:
SHRI SURESHANAND SWAMI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of people are still in waiting list for getting a telephone connection;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, category-wise and State-wise as on November 30, 1991;
- (c) whether the Government propose to take some steps to ease the large waiting list of people; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI
P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of waiting list category-wise
and state-wise as on 31st Oct., 1991 is given
in the attached statement.

(c) and (d). As per draft 8th Plan propos-
als, expansion programme are being drawn
with an objective:-

Provide telephones prac-
tically on demand in rural

and tribal areas.

Waiting period for tele-
phone connections not to
exceed two years at other
places.

It is therefore expected
that on the completion of
the proposed programme
for 8th Plan, the waiting
list position should im-
prove.

STATEMENT

"Waiting List of Telephone Connections in Country as on 1st November, 1991"

S.No.	Name of the State	OYT	NON-OYT	Special	TOTAL
1.	Andhra Pradesh	7888	105885	9475	123198
2.	Assam	484	10745	1181	12410
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	-	160	-	160
4.	Bihar	772	20625	1980	23377
5.	Gujarat	16407	156820	8597	181824
6.	Goa	2130	8413	898	11441
7.	Haryana	2524	51012	3766	57302
8.	Himachal Pradesh	606	12552	279	13437
9.	J & K.	1339	15471	1530	18340
10.	Karnataka	7511	116443	7368	131322
11.	Kerala	12658	1808662	10650	204170
12.	M.P.	5775	81619	6589	93083
13.	Manipur	104	1778	256	2138
14.	Meghalaya	320	1375	140	1835

<i>S.No.</i>	<i>Name of the State</i>	<i>OYT</i>	<i>NON-OYT</i>	<i>Special</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
15.	Maharashtra	43232	393631	13357	450220
16.	Mizoram	167	776	136	1079
17.	Nagaland	178	888	125	1911
18.	Orissa	18	6471	120	6609
19.	Punjab Includes Chandigarh	9407	119097	10458	138962
20.	Rajasthan	6672	103153	9111	118936
21.	Tamil Nadu	16778	173174	13957	203909
22.	Tripura	82	925	130	1137
23.	U.P.	4291	103916	6854	115051
24.	West Bengal	2302	54586	2150	59038
25.	Sikkam	59	301	25	385
26.	U.T. Delhi	15022	3206	303894	322122
27.	U.T. Pondicherry	383	4279	445	5107
28.	Lakshdweep (U.T.)	-	394	1	395
29.	Andaman Nicobar Island (U.T.)	19	405	19	443

Tribal Language Programmes on Doordarshan Kendras in Orissa

1638. SHRI GOVINDA CHANDRA MUNDA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the details of the time allotted for tribal language programmes by Doordarshan in Orissa?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS):

No specific time has been allotted for such programmes.

[Translation]

Automatic S.T.D. Telephone Exchange at Chatra in Bihar

1639. SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to