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

(a) the position of the waiting list of telephone on demand under the National Telecom Policy, 1999 in different States as on date, Statewise; and

(b) the time by which the same is likely to be cleared?

Answer

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

(a) The position of the waiting list of telephone in different states as on 28.02.2002, state wise is given in the enclosed annexure:

(b) The waiting list is likely to be cleared by December, 2002 in all the states except in Kerala and in some pockets of other states which are technically non feasible. The waiting list in Kerala is expected to be cleared by March, 2003. This is, however, subject to availability of funds and timely availability of materials.

ANNEXURE

STATE/CIRCLE WISE/WAITING LIST

S.NO. NAME OF CIRCLE WAITING-LIST(as on 28.02.2002)

1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	466
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	180693
3	ASSAM	17709
4	BIHAR	94030
5	CHHATTISGARH	9397
6	GUJARAT	140889
7	HARYANA	107407
8	HIMACHAL PRADESH	30859
9	JAMMU & KASHMIR	46150
10	JHARKHAND	14138
11	KARNATAKA	157481
12	KERALA	722317
13	MADHYA PRADESH	16806
14	MAHARASHTRA	282525
15	NORTH EAST	21581
16	ORISSA	49235
17	PUNJAB	112081
18	RAJASTHAN	154590
19	TAMILNADU	71053
20	UTTAR PRADESH	113235
21	UTTARANCHAL	12643
22	WEST BENGAL	199818
23	DELHI	28624

TOTAL 2583727

Note: North East includes Meghalaya, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Tripura and Manipur, West Bengal includes Sikkim, Tamilnadu includes Pandicherry, Maharastra includes Goa, Gujarat include Daman & Diu, & Dadar Nager Haveli & Kerala includes Lakshadweep.

