

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2468  
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TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the position of waiting list for telephone connections in the major towns, district headquarters and rural areas of Jharkhand as on April 30, 2002;
- (b) the details of telephone connections provided during each of the last three years alongwith the amount spent thereon; and
- (c) the details of the new schemes approved/ under consideration of the Government?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI S MAHAJAN)

(a) The position of waiting list for telephone connections in the major towns, district headquarters and rural areas of Jharkhand as on 30 April 2002 is given in the Annexure-I.

(b) & (c) The details of telephone connections provided during each of the last three years alongwith the amount spent thereon and plan of new schemes for the year 2002-03 is given in Annexure II.

**ANNEXURE I**

Position of waiting list for telephone connections in the major towns, district head quarters and rural areas of Jharkhand as on 30.4.2002.

**(A) Waiting list of District Head Quarter**

Sl.No.	District Head Quarter	Waiting list
1.	Daltonganj	120
2.	Garhwa	14
3.	Latehar	14
4.	Bokaro	1100
5.	Dhanbad	2248
6.	Dumka	0
7.	Sahibganj	0
8.	Deoghar	103
9.	Godda	0
10.	Hazaribagh	156
11.	Chatra	12
12.	Koderma	2

13.	Giridih	4
14.	West Singhbhum	557
15.	East Singhbhum	12
16.	Saraikela Kharswa	0
17.	Ranchi	352
18.	Lohardaga	18
19.	Simdega	14
20.	Gumla	30
21.	Pakur	0
22.	Jamtara	0

TOTAL 4756

(B) Waiting list of Major Towns

Sl. No.	Major Town	Waiting List
1.	Daltonganj	120
2.	Bokaro	1100
3.	Dhanbad	2248
4.	Dumka	0
5.	Hazaribagh	156
6.	Jamsedpur	557
7	Ranchi	352
TOTAL		4533

(C) Waiting List of Rural Area = 4309

ANNEXURE II

(A) Details of telephone connections provided during each of the last three years alongwith the amount spent.

Year Provided	Telephone connections (Crore)	Amount spent in Rs.
1999-2000+	125179	312.95
2000-01	81712	204.28
2001-02	79608	199.02

+ Jharkhand was carved out of Bihar Circle in January,2001.  
Figures of the year 1999-2000 includes for Bihar Telecom Circle also.

(B) Plan of New Schemes Approved for the year 2002-2003.

Sl. No.	Items	Units	Target
1.	Direct Exchange Lines	Nos.	100200
	(DELS) consisting of Wired lines WLL (Wire- less in Local Loop) and Cellular Mobile Telephones.		
2.	Switching Capacity consisting of Wired lines WLL (Wire-less in Local Loop) and Cellular Mobile Telephones.	Lines	148700
3.	TAX (Trunk Automatic Exch.)	Kilo Circuits	35.5
4.	OFC	RKMs	2000
5.	Village Public Telephone (VPTs) on Satellite	Nos.	2321