

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
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WAITING LIST  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of persons in the waiting list in Calicut Secondary Switching Area (SSA) of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL);
- (b) the targeted number of telephone connections for the year 2001-2002, 2002-2003 & 2003-2004 within Calicut- SSA;
- (c) whether the BSNL has not been able to achieve the targeted number of telephone connection during 2001-02& 2002- 03;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken to achieve the target?

**Answer**

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

(a) The total number of persons in the waiting list in Calicut Secondary Switching Area (SSA) are 62615 as on 31.3.2003.

(b) to (e) The target for the year 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 and achievement during the year 2001-02, 2002-03 for providing telephone connections in Calicut SSA are as under:-

Year	Fixed Line Wireless in Local Loop (WLL)			
	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
2001-2002		50000	50025	Nil
2002-2003		35500	37526	26000
2003-2004		14885		39378

The short fall in achieving WLL target during the year 2002-03 is due to delay in supply of equipment from the vendors and validation of WLL equipment. Action has been taken to procure the material in time during 2003-04.