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LOK SABHA**

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NEW TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of new telephone exchanges opened during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government have received any request for opening new telephone exchanges in rural areas during 2003-04, State-wise and location-wise; and
- (c) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard so far?

Answer

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

- (a) The details of the new telephone exchanges opened during each of the last three years circle-wise are given in Annexure-I.
- (b) Yes, Sir. The details of the requests received to open new telephone exchanges in rural areas during 2003-2004, circle-wise and location-wise are given in Annexure- II.
- (c) Requests for opening of new telephone exchanges will be considered as per the present policy for planning of telephone exchanges in rural areas, preferably on Wireless in Local Loop (WLL). However, if WLL solution is not workable due to technical reasons, a new telephone exchange will be planned with minimum registration of 75.

ANNEXURE - I

NEW TELEPHONE EXCHANGES OPENED IN RURAL AREAS DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS.

Sl. No.	Circle	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03 (upto 21.1.2003)
1	Andaman & Nicobar	6	4	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	300	215	74
3	Assam	56	20	35
4	Bihar	258	0	3
5	Jharkhand	0	97	10
6	Gujarat	577	326	110
7	Haryana	11	30	7
8	Himachal Pradesh	65	119	29
9	Jammu & Kashmir	0	41	54
10	Karnataka	118	100	36
11	Kerala	49	76	47
12	Madhya Pradesh	3	0	19
13	Chhattisgarh	0	178	11
14	Maharashtra	920	271	68
15	North East -I	22	0	25
16	North East- II	0	22	6
17	Orissa	114	58	22
18	Punjab	84	106	28
19	Rajasthan	88	145	13
20	Tamil Nadu	85	34	416
21	Uttar Pradesh (East)	352	131	17
22	Uttar Pradesh (West)	97	0	6
23	Uttaranchal	0	46	10
24	West Bengal	166	129	43
	TOTAL	3201	2080	1089

ANNEXURE - II

REQUEST RECEIVED FOR OPENING OF NEW TELEPHONE EXCHANGES

Sl. No.	CIRCLE	DISTRICT	LOCATION			
1	ASSAM	GOALPARA	1. CHOTAMATIA			
			2. SIMLITOLA			
			3. BEHALILAC			
			4. LUMDINGLAC			
			5. DULIAJAN			
			6. DHOBARGAON			
2	GUJARAT	SURENDER NAGAR	7. CHORVIRA			
			8. TALUKA HALWAD			
			9. SANARKHALA			
3	HARYANA	JAMNAGAR SULTANPUR SIRSA	10. MENIPUR GRAM PANCHAYAT			
			11. KHERI			
			12. GURERA GP			
			13. GUDYANI			
			14. TAIALANWARI			
			15. SEENK & PATHRI			
4	HIMACHAL PRADESH	SOLAN CHAMBA	16. KARARAGHAT			
			17. BADAGARA			
5	CHHATTISGARH	RAIGARH	18. BHARMOUR			
6	NORTH EAST - II	UKHRUL (MANIPUR)	19. PADI GAON			
			20. SANKARA			
7	MADHYA PRADESH	DEVAS DINDAURI UMARIA SHAYOPUR NASINGPUR MANDLA	21. CHINGJAROI CV			
			22. CHINGJAROI KULLEN			
			23. JESSAMI			
			24. THANK -KHURD			
			25. AMERA			
			26. PARH KHURI			
			27. VIJAYPUR			
			28. BHOIREIR			
			29. LIMRUA			
			30. KAKAIYA			
			31. DITHORI			
			32. MOTINALA			
			8	ORISSA	REWA ANGUL DEOGARH SAMBALPUR BALASORE ANGUL PURI JAGATSINGPUR MALKANGIRI CUTTACK KHURDDA	33. RAIPUR SONAURI
						34. CHASAGURUJANGA
35. BUDHAPAL						
36. KATARADAGA						
37. BALASORE SDCA						
38. BASANTIA						
39. SILANDI						
40. ADALAPANKA						
41. BADAPOKHARI						
42. BALIMUNDA						
43. JHARANAGHATI						
44. BRAHMANA GAON						
45. DERENGA						
46. SAHARGURUJANG						
47. INJIDI BLOCK						
48. NAGIRA BLOCK						
49. NARENDERPUR						
50. NARENDERPUR						
51. DERIKI						
52. PANGAMA						
53. KOTAMATA						
54. POTTERU						
55. MV55						
9	RAJASTHAN	BHARATPUR DUNGARPUR SAWAIMADHOPUR BARMER BIKANER JAISALMER NAGAUR BARMER JALORE JODHPUR UDAIPUR CHITTOREGARH ALWAR PALI	56. SIMLIHAND			
			57. GOVINDPUR			
			58. KANTAMAL ANKULA			
			59. ABHAYA MUKHI			
			60. TYOHARI			
			61. METALI			
			62. KHANDAR TEHSIL			
			63. RATANPURA			
			64. RAOWALA GP BHALURI			
			65. JHABRA			
			66. RAJLYA			
			67. MUWANA			
			68. LUNWA			
			69. RATANPURA			
			70. BAKHARPURA			
			71. VEDIA GP BHIMGUDA			
			72. KALAUNA			
			73. HARIYADHANA			
74. SINYARHSAR						
10	WEST BENGAL	24 PARAGANAS MIDNAPUR PURULIA	75. MANDAVI			
			76. BAIRAV			
			77. JAVDHA			
			78. AGAR			
			79. KHARACHI			
			80. SOUTH SUNDERBANS			
			81. MIRGODA			
			82. ARSHA			
			83. JARGO			

			84. BURDA
		UTTAR DINAJPUR	85. GOAGAON
11	BIHAR	MOTIHARI	86. BATHUAHA
		ARARIA	87. MATHATHAWA BAZAR
12	JAMMU & KASHMIR	KATHUNA	88. THARAKALWAL
		AWANTIPUR	89. WEHBAJH
		KASHMIR	
13	MAHARASHTRA	BEED	90. NIRGUDI
		BULDANA	91. KHAPAR KHORADHULA
		AHMEDNAGAR	92. DHOTRA
14	UP (EAST)	GHAZIPUR	93. BARAGAON
15	ANDHARA PRADESH	VIJAYA NAGARAM	94. VENKATAVHYRIPURAM
16	KARNATAKA	GULBARGA	95. MASALWAL