

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

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NON-AVAILABILITY OF ELECTRICITY FOR VILLAGE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

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

- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item regarding `three thousand telephone exchanges established for villages are waiting for electricity` as reported in the `Rashtriya Sahara` dated April 2,2002;
- (b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to make the said exchanges operational; and
- (d) the time by which the exchanges are likely to become operational?

Answer

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

- (a) to (d): The information is being collected will be laid on the Table of House.