GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3362 ANSWERED ON:11.12.2002 EXPANSION OF TELEPHONE EXCHANGES GORDHANBHAI JAVIA

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

- (a) whether the Government propose to expand telephone exchanges and provide modern communication facility in Gujarat during the Tenth Plan period;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, District-wise; and
- (c) the funds allocated by the Government for the same?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The Circlewise / Districtwise targets of expanding the exchanges are planned at the beginning of each financial year based on the waiting list and resources available. The details of Digital Electronic Exchanges with modern communication facility planned for expansion during 2002-03 in Gujarat are given in the Annexure. The expansion is subject to availability of resources.
- (c) Rs. 875.45 Crores has been allocated for development of Telecommunication in Budget Estimate 2002-03 for Gujarat circle.

ANNEXURE

District-wise details of Expansion of Telephone Exchanges Planned in Gujarat during 2002-2003

Sl. No. Name of District Capacity

1.	Ahmedabad	34600
2.	Gandhinagar	7400
3.	Amreli	13064
4.	Bharuch	8500
5. 6.	Narmada Bhavnagar	2500 4472
7	Bhuj	12880
8.	Godhra	9440
9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17.	Dahod Sabarkantha Jamnagar Junagadh Porbandar Kheda Anand Mehsana Patan Banaskantha	2000 3744 10804 6964 500 3476 12500 10944 4500 9792

19.	Rajkot	14088
20.	Surat	65160
21.	Surendranagar	7000
22.	Vadodara	26000
23.	Valsad	24464

Total 294792