

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1307
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2000
RURAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN MAHARASHTRA
ANANDRAO ADSUL

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of rural telephone exchanges set up so far in the rural areas of Maharashtra, district-wise;
- (b) whether most of the said telephone exchanges are not functioning satisfactorily; and
- (c) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to provide satisfactory telephone services there?

Answer

Minister of State for Communications (Shri Tapan Sikdar)

a) A total of 3,520 rural telephone exchanges have so far been set up in the rural areas of Maharashtra Circle. District-wise details are enclosed in the Annex.

b) &(c) No. Sir. All the telephone exchanges in the rural areas are functioning satisfactorily.

ANNEX.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1307 FOR 31ST JULY, 2000 REGARDING RURAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN MAHARASHTRA

DISTRICT WISE STATUS OF RURAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN MAHARASHTRA CIRCLE AS ON 30.6.2000.

S.NO. DISTRICT NO. OF RURAL EXCHANGES

1	AHMEDNAGAR	202
2	AKOLA	61
3	AMRAVATI	65
4	AURANGABAD	97
5	BEEED	73
6	BHANDARA	40
7	BULDHANA	88
8	CHANDRAPUR	59
9	DHULE	69
10	GADCHIROLI	29
11	GOA (NORTH)	33
12	GOA (SOUTH)	14
13	GONDIA	43
14	HANGOLI	30
15	JALGAON	156
16	JALNA	60
17	KALYAN	76
18	KOLHAPUR	154
19	LATUR	83
20	NAGPUR	95
21	NANDED	81
22	NANDURBAR	40
23	NASIK	190
24	OSMANABAD	64
25	PARBHANI	36
26	PUNE	135
27	RAIGAD	113
28	RATNAGIRI	107
29	SANGLI	206
30	SATARA	134
31	SINDHUDURG	71
32	SOLAPUR	138
33	VARDHA	54
34	WASHIM	34

35 YEOTMAL 59

TOTAL 2989