

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS  
LOK SABHA**

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TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN H.P  
MAHESHWAR SINGH

**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of telephone exchanges targeted to be set up in Himachal Pradesh particularly in Lahaul-Spiti, Mandi, Kinnaur, Shimla and Chamba districts during 2000-2001, location-wise;
- (b) the number of telephone exchanges set up in the State so far, district-wise;
- (c) whether due to non-availability of MCPC in the tribal areas of H.P. it is impossible to achieve the target; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to achieve the target?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR )

- (a) There is a proposal to open 75 new telephone exchanges in H.P. during the year 2000- 01. Location-wise details are given in Annexure-I
- (b) Total six exchanges have been opened so far during the year as per district-wise details given in Annexure-II
- (c) Yes, Sir. The 11 exchanges can not be opened in the tribal areas without MCPCs.
- (d) 14 nos of MCPC equipment have been ordered and it is expected that the equipment would be received shortly.

Annexure-I

The details of the new telephone exchanges proposed to be opened during 2000-01

S.No District No.of Exchanges Location of exchange.

1. (1) LAHAUL SPITI 4 Kibber

2. Dhankar

3. Koksar

4. Thirot

(2)

1. MANDI 10 Chiuni

2. Jassal

3. Sainj Bagra

4. Sojha

5. Gada Gusain

6. Sudharni

7 Gangoti

8. Khajoor

9. Sudhar

10. Patrighat

1. (3) KINNAUR 2 Chitkul

2. Gyabung

1. (4) SHIMLA 11 Goma

2. Sainj Khud

3. Pulbahal

4. Manioti

5. Dhamwari

6. Sarpara

7 Deothi

8. Chhajpur

9. Mandhodghat

10. Giltari

11. Kiarnu

1. (5) CHAMBA 4 Harsar

2. Hatli

3. Balera

4. Hobar

6

1. BILASPUR 2 Harnora

2. Tarsu

1. (7) KANGRA 17 Saleti

2. Nahalian

3. Sakri

4. Ttyora

5. Nadholi
6. DMA-Mcleodganj

7 Kandi

8. BJN-Paprola

9. PLP-Maranda
10. Chhota Bhangal
11. Sullah
12. Dheera
13. Gharana
14. Duhak
15. Kotlu
16. Rajal
17. Lahru

1. (8) UNA 4 Gindpur Malaun

2. Handola

3. Jowar

4. UNA-Rakkar colony

1. (9) KULLU 6 Shiah

2. Chharod Nullah

3. Spangni

4. Thalti Bid

5. Balu Padhar

6. Bandrol

1. (10) SIRMAUR 6 Birbikram Bag

2. Sundarghat

3. Barag

4. Dahan

5. Dilman

6. Timbi

1. (11) SOLAN 9 Sanana/ Gadyar

2. Rampur

3. Dunnu

4. Kundlu

5. Beonkhari (Doli)

6. Loharghat

7 Chhiachhi

8. Bathalang

9. Bakhlag

Annexure-II

Details of new telephone exchanges opened so far during 2000- 2001.

S.No Distrcit No.Of Exchanges opened

1 Chamba	1
2 Lahaul Spiti	1
3 Shimla	2
4 Kullu	1
5 Mandi	1
Total	6