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OPENING OF NEW TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN TAMIL NADU

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal for opening of new telephone exchanges in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise during the last three years;
- (c) the details of connections provided and waiting list during the said period; and
- (d) the time by when the waiting list is likely to be cleared?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Details are given in the Annexure-I.
- (c) The details of connections provided and waiting list during the said period are given in the Annexure-II.
- (d) The waiting list is likely to be cleared by 31-03-2006.

ANNEXURE-I

District-wise details of new telephone exchanges opened during
the last three years in Tamilnadu.

Name of District	No. of Exchanges Provided		
	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Chennai	27	19	05
Coimbatore	05	01	04
Cuddalore	05	05	02
Dharmapuri	06	Nil	Nil
Dindigul	02	01	02
Erode	04	Nil	Nil
Kancheepuram	05	02	01
Kanyakumari	02	02	01
Karur	Nil	Nil	Nil
Krishnagiri	Nil	03	Nil
Madurai	02	01	03
Nagapattinam	07	Nil	Nil
Namakkal	Nil	Nil	Nil
Perambalur	09	Nil	Nil
Pududukottai	27	Nil	Nil
Ramanathapuram	03	Nil	Nil
Salem	04	Nil	Nil
Sivaganga	06	Nil	Nil
Thanjavur	05	01	Nil
The Nilgiris	03	03	Nil
Theni	Nil	Nil	Nil
Thiruvavur	01	Nil	Nil
Thirunelveli	02	01	Nil
Thiruvannamalai	02	Nil	Nil
Thiruvallur	Nil	02	Nil
Trichy	03	Nil	Nil
Tuticorin	01	Nil	Nil
Vellore	01	Nil	Nil
Villupuram	15	08	Nil
Virudhunagar	06	01	Nil

ANNEXURE-II

CONNECTIONS PROVIDED AND WAITING LIST FOR
THE LAST THREE YEARS:

Year	Net Connections provided	Waiting List
2002-03	413370	161317
2003-04	122521	176911
2004-05	465363	297378
