

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to expand the system of telephone exchanges installed in Karnataka during 2004-05;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, location wise;
- (c) the total number of telephone exchanges upgraded during the last three years; and
- (d) the telephone exchanges proposed to be upgraded during the current year?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Sir. Two new exchanges have been planned to be installed during 2004-05 in Karnataka.

(b) Location wise details are as below:

1. Kerady (Mangalore SSA) 2. Kenjala (Mangalore SSA)

(c) The total number of telephone exchanges upgraded during last three years:-

2001-2002 2002-2003 2003-2004

Number of new exchanges opened 132 66 10
Number of exchanges upgraded 1555 953 845

(d) 961 C-DOT 256 Port RAX are planned to be upgraded to AN RAX during the current year.