

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
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SETTING UP OF INTERNET EXCHANGE .

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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 to establish Internet Exchange in the country especially in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the present status of the proposal;
- (c) whether the Government of Gujarat has proposed to establish Internet Exchange in the year 2003;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government has received letter from the States of Gujarat, Punjab and Rajasthan to establish Internet Exchanges. Presently Internet Exchanges are operational at Delhi (Noida), Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Hyderabad and Bangalore.

(c) & (d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Location for establishment of Internet Exchange at Ahmedabad has been firmed up at Gujarat Narmada Fertilizers corporation (GNFC), Info Tower. The setting up of equipments is in progress.