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TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN GUJARAT AND MP
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of telephone connections provided by BSNL in Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh during the last two years and the current year, circle-wise;
- (b) the details of applications for new connections lying pending with BSNL since 2007 till date, circle-wise;
- (c) whether non-availability of cables is one of the reasons for large number of pending cases; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government to clear the pending applications for fresh telephone connection?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI MILIND DEORA)

(a) Madam, the number of gross telephone connections provided by Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) in Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh telecom circles during last two years and the current year Circle-wise is as under:

Name of Circle Gross Connections provided during the year

2009-10 2010-11 2011-12 (upto 30-06-2011).

Gujarat 1,16,288 1,19,842 17,725

Madhya Pradesh 41,709 31,660 8,353

(b) The Circle-wise status of number of applications lying pending with BSNL for new wireline connections since 31.03.2007 to 30.06.2011 is given in the Annexure.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.