GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

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NUMBER OF TELEPHONE EXCHANGES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of telephone exchanges have been set up in the country including Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) the number of telephone exchanges functioning properly at present, State-wise;
- (c) whether STD/ISD facilities and Internet facilities have been provided at all telephone exchanges in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) the criteria laid down to extend these facilities to the States; and
- (e) the number of telephone exchanges in the country which are under construction State-wise and location-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

- (a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has set up 166 telephone exchanges including in the state of Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year. Circle-wise details of these telephone exchanges are given in Annexure-I.
- (b) All the telephone exchanges of BSNL are functioning properly at present. Circle- wise details of functional telephone exchanges are given in Annexure-II.
- (c) & (d) All the telephone exchanges of BSNL carry STD/ISD and Internet facilities.
- (e) BSNL has informed that at present no new telephone exchange is under construction.