Title: Need to improve Telephone services in Saran District of Bihar.

SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY (CHHAPRA): The district of Saran in Bihar is headed by a TDM in the Telephone circle. However, the district is marked with disorder as several exchanges are out of order for an average two to four months every year. Very poor quality of laying of optical fibre cables and the minute examination of the tendered dates and completion date shall indicate the level of poor work. A telephone exchange of Sonepur, having wait list in several hundreds could not be expanded as the TDM failed to locate a building, while Sonepur is a Railway DRM headquarter and a civil subdivision. I request the Union Government to conduct a high level enquiry into the matter or a vigilance enquiry be instituted in the district and also steps to be taken to upgrade the various exchanges which have recorded high level of waiting list and immediate expansion of Chhapra main telephone exchange which has exhausted the expanded capacity.