

Development of Telecommunication Services in Bihar

10224. SHRI RAMDAS SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the programmes pertaining to development of Telecom Services in Bihar during the year 1990-91, particularly in Giridih, district Dhanbad;

(b) the number of Public Call Offices in different major towns of Bihar till 30 April, 1990; and

(c) the town-wise number of such Public Call Offices proposed to be opened in Bihar during the year 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA):

Part (a). Telecom services Development Programme for 1990-91 in Giridih and Dhanbad district of Bihar is as below:

GIRIDIH DISTRICT

- (i) Replacement of electromechanical

exchanges at Rajdhanwar, Peterwar, Gomia and Bermo by electronic exchanges of 128 Port C-DOT, 64 Port MILT, 200 Lines ESA smf 512 Port ILT capacity respectively.

- (ii) Provision of 5 numbers of Long Distance Public Telephones (LDPTs).

- (iii) Provision of Subscriber Trunk Dialling (STD) at four places.

DHANBAD DISTRICT

- (i) Replacement of electromechanical exchange at Nirsra by Electronic Exchange (512 Port ILT).

- (ii) Provision of a Notional Telex at Sindri.

These proposals are subject to timely availability of equipment and resources.

Part (b) and (c). Detail of Public Call Offices (existing and proposed) in different major towns is as below:

<i>S. No.</i>	<i>Name of Major Town</i>	<i>No. of Public Call Offices as on 30.4.90</i>	<i>No. of Public Call Offices proposed to be opened in 1990-91</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
1.	Patna	244	11
2.	Muzaffarpur	27	5
3.	Bhagalpur	39	4
4.	Dharbanga	24	3
5.	Ranchi	127	20

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1	2	3	4
6.	Jamshedpur	75	10
7.	Dhanbad	22	12
8.	Gaya	20	5
9.	Biharsharif	141	2

Besides it is proposed to extend STD PCO facilities to all the district HQrs of Bihar during 1990-91.

The opening of the new PCOs will however be subject timely availability of equipments.

Central Secretariat Fire Service

10225. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any Central Secretariat Fire Service under CPWD;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor when there is Delhi Fire Service under Municipal Corporation of Delhi in the Capital with huge equipment and strength of fire fighting staff; and

(c) the role played by Delhi Fire Service and Central Secretariat Fire Service in the fire that broke out at Vigyan Bhavan recently?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Central Secretariat Fire Brigade which provides fire protection and makes fire fighting arrangements in the North Block, South Block, Rashtrapati Bhawan and also provides guidance for all buildings of the Ministry of Urban Development. The Delhi Fire Service caters to the entire Union Territory of Delhi.

(c) The Central Secretariat Fire Brigade assisted Delhi Fire Service in fighting the fire in Vigyan Bhavan. A Committee has been set up by the Administrator, Delhi to go into the causes of fire and report on the remedial measures.

[*Translation*]

Upgradation of Branch Post Office at Bisfi in Madhubani District

10226. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the reasons for making the postal augments Bisfi Tehsil Headquarters and its adjoining branch post offices in Madhubani district of Bihar through Darbhanga district?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): Even though Bisfi