

representation from the representative of Jangla area of Ransar valley of Shimla district regarding pitiable condition of Jangla telephone exchange;

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Government on their demand; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA): (a) Yes, Sir. The representation regarding request to connect Jangla telephone exchange to Rohru instead of Chirgaon to which it is presently connected have been received.

(b) and (c) The telephone exchange installed at Jangla is working satisfactorily. There was some electrical induction on the physical cable which has been set right to provide satisfactory performance for STD calls.

In order to provide better reliable connectivity with adequate circuits, it has been planned to connect Jangla exchange with Rohru telephone exchange (instead of Chirgaon to which it is presently connected) on Aerial Optical Fibre Cables during 1999-2000.

STD facility at Kachhona telephone exchange in Hardoi

2085. SHRI KANAK MAL KATARA:
SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL
VAHADANE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had assured that the Kachhona telephone exchange in Hardoi district of Uttar Pradesh would be provided STD facility by March, 1997;

(b) if so, why this facility has not been provided to this exchange so far; and

(c) how much time Government will take further in providing the said facility to the said exchange?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) The STD facility to Kachhona will be provided during 1999-2000.

Telephone directory for Andhra Pradesh

2086. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the latest telephone directory of each district of Andhra Pradesh has been released;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, by when each directory will be released;

(c) whether the proposed directory will include telephone numbers provided in each district of Andhra Pradesh as on 31st August, 1998;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the directory will be distributed to all subscribers with or without renewal coupon being bonafide subscriber; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA): (a) and (b) Sir, the information on latest directory available and expected date of next release are given in the Statement (See below)

(c) and (d) Directories proposed to be released in 1999 will contain telephone numbers provided upto 31.8.1998.

(e) and (f) Sir, the first directory to a new telephone connections is given without coupon and subsequent issues are given on production of the renewal coupons.

Statement

S. No.	Name of Telecom District (SSA)	Last Dir. Released	Next Dir. Expected
1.	Adilabad	May' 97	Mar' 99
2.	Anantapur	Jun' 97	Mar' 99
3.	Chittoor	Feb' 97	Mar' 99
4.	Cuddapah	Dec' 98	N.A.
5.	East Godavari	Aug' 97	Mar' 99
6.	Guntur	Sep' 97	Mar' 99
7.	Karimnagar	Jun' 97	Mar' 99
8.	Khammam	Apr' 97	Mar' 99
9.	Krishna	Nov' 98	N.A.
10.	Kurnool	Sep' 97	Jan' 99
11.	Mahabubnagar	Jun' 96	Dec. 98