

Sl No.	Name of the Circle	Target
12.	Maharashtra	3000
13.	North-East	2000
14.	Orissa	8819
15.	Punjab	1245
16.	Rajasthan	5000
17.	Tamil Nadu	1000
18.	Uttar Pradesh (East)	14000
19.	Uttar Pradesh (West)	8000
20.	West Bengal	8000
21.	Calcutta Telephones	47
Total		83000

STD facility in Darjeeling

794. SHRI DAWA LAMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Telephone system at Darjeeling hills, particularly STD facilities, are in a complete mess; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by Government to improve the services?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA):

(a) and (b) The telephone system at Darjeeling hills is satisfactory. However, STD services to exchanges around Darjeeling presently mostly on over head alignment have been giving trouble and to improve STD services around Darjeeling hills satellite media at Sonada, Sukhiapukuri and Bijanbari is under installation and is likely to be commissioned by 30.9.97. The STD service from Darjeeling town is through Microwave system and is working alright.

Phone on request scheme

795. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI:

SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the latest

status of "phone on request" scheme of the Department of Telecommunications?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): Sir, there is no scheme of DOT "Phone on request as such.

However, a scheme called "TATKAL Scheme" to meet the immediate needs for telephone connection to be provided within two weeks on the deposit of Rs. 30,000 (non interest bearing) per connection is in existence. Applicants under this scheme can register on the priced application form alongwith a payment of Rs. 3000 and the remaining amount of Rs. 27000/- will be collected only if the provision of a telephone connection is feasible within two weeks period.

टेलीफोन कनेक्शन प्राप्त करने में लगने वाला समय

796. श्री शिव चरण सिंह: क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) दिल्ली राज्य में "महानगर टेलीफोन निगम लि०" में 3000/- रुपए जमा कराने पर कितने महीनों में टेलीफोन कनेक्शन उपभोक्ता को दे दिया जाता है;

(ख) क्या इन नियमों का पालन दिल्ली के सभी क्षेत्रों में किया जा रहा है, यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं,