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(c) by when the issue of licencing process is likely to be commenced?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) Tenders for franchising the Cellular Mobile Radio Telephone services in four metro cities (Delhi Bombay, Calcutta and Madras) were called for. Bids were received and short-listing process has been completed. Financial bids are called from short-listed bidders. The licensing process will be completed after evaluation of financial bids.

## Waiting List of Telephone connection in Uttar Pradesh

4227. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of registered consumers waiting for telephone connections in the State of Utar Pradesh, district-wise, as on 30th June, 1992;
- (b) the number of telephone connectotions provided in the State during last two years;
- (c) the number of PCOs provided to unemployed youth in Uttar Pradesh during the last two years; and

(d) by when Government propose to provide telephone connections to all the consumers in the waiting list in the State of Uttar Pradesh?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of House (See below).

(b) The number of Telephone connections provided is as under :--

1990-91 38277

1991-92 62246

- (c) There is no separate classification allotted for providing PCOs to the unemployed youth. However PCOs are being given on demand to any applicant subject to the technical feasibility.
- (d) The 8th five year plan (1992—97) envisage:
- Provision of telephone practically on demand in rural & Tribal areas; and
  - To contain the waiting list to two years in large telephone system, plans for expansion of telecom facilities have been drawn, to fulfil the above objective.

## Statement

Sl. No .	Name of Distt.			Waiting List		Sl. No.	Name of Distt.	Waiting List
		_			As on 30-6-92	_		As on 30-6-92
1	Agra			•	15786	33.	Jhansi	. 1663
2.	Aligarh .			-	1822	34.	Kanpur	. 14376
3.	Allahabad .				5244	35.	Kanpur (Rural)	. 210
4.	Almora .				189	36.	Lakhimpur Kheri .	. Nil
5.	Azamgarh .				362	37.	Lalitpur	. 236
6.	Bahraich .		é		126	38.	Lucknow	. 8807
7.	Ballia .				73	39.	Maharajganj	. Nil
8.	Banda .				11	40.	Manipur	. 132
9.	Barabanki .		•		. 839	41.	Mathura	. 2546
10.	Bareilly .		-		1231	42.	Maunath Bhanjan .	. 550
11.	Basti				87	43.	Mœrut	. 10268
12.	Bijnore				67	44.	Mirzapur	. 191
13.	Badaun .		,		208	45.	Moradabad	. 2128
14.	Bulandshahar				158	46.	Muzaffarnagar	. 2325
15-	Chamoli .				37	47.	Nainital	424
16.	Dehradun .				10456	48.	Pauri Garhwal .	. 42
17.	Deoria .		-		214	49.	Pilibhit	. 50
18.	Etawah .				Nil	50.	Pithoragarh .	. 129
19.	Eltawah .				301	51.	Pratapgarh .	. Nil
20.	Faizabad .				385	52.	Raibareilly	. 1
21.	Farrukhabad		-	-	7 <b>2</b>	53.	Rampur .	. 327
22.	Fatehpur .				197	54.	Baraharanpur .	. 2720
23.	Ferozabad .				2110	55.	Shahjanhapur	. 235
24.	Ghaziabad .				18047	56.	Sidharthnagar.	. 32
<b>2</b> 5.	Ghazipur .		,		894	57.	Sitapur .	. 6.
<b>2</b> 6.	Gonda .				92	58.	Sonbhadra	. 237
27.	Gorakhpur.				2538	59.	Sultanpur	. 133
28.	Hamirpur .				Nil	60.	Tehrigarhwal	. 17
29.	Hardoi .				190	61.	Unnao	. 262
30.	Hardwar .				2895	62.	Uttarkashi	. 69
31.	Jalaun				617	63.	Varanasi	. 5502
32.	Jaunpur				185			
							Total:	121545