

Information Technology Bill 2000, which was recently passed by Parliament, contains punitive measures against publication in the electronic form of information which is obscene.

Internet Connections in the Country

2110. SHRI CM. IBRAHIM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of internet connections, per million population in the country and how it compares with corresponding figures in Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Assam and other States;

(b) what targets, if any, have been fixed in this regard for the Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(c) the State-wise allocation of funds for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) The number of Internet connections per million population in the country is estimated as 945. The comparative figures, state-wise are given in Statement I-(See below).

(b) The list of Internet nodes planned to be set up in the country by the Government during the 9th Five Year Plan is at Statement-II (See below).

The number of Internet subscribers for the country as a whole in the year 2002 is projected to be 38 lakhs.

(c) The total funds allocated by Department of Telecom Services for the purpose of promotion of internet service in the country during the year 2000-2001 is Rs. 107.46 crores. The allocation is envisaged to be utilized for States depending upon the number of internet nodes planned to be added in different States.

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Statement-I
Comparative figures—State-wise

S. No.	Name of State	No. of Internet Subscribers as on March 2000	Population (in Thousand) as on March 2000	Internet Subscribers per million
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	78	386	202
2.	Andhra Pradesh	50119	75467	664
3.	Assam	2044	26197	78
4.	Bihar	3627	99916	36
5.	Gujarat	39117	48567	805
6.	Haryana	1539	19836	78
7.	Himachal Pradesh	932	6711	139
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	1492	9945	150
9.	Karnataka	86852	52092	1667
10.	Kerala	19669	32333	608
11.	Madhya Pradesh	15649	79767	196
12.	Maharashtra	305855	92711	3299
13.	North East (Manipur, Tripura, Nagaland, Arunachal, Meghalaya and Mizoram)	664	12562	53
14.	Orissa	3184	35858	89
15.	Punjab	16214	24413	64
16.	Rajasthan	11074	53559	207
17.	Tamil Nadu	146485	62886	2329
18.	Uttar Pradesh	11991	170125	70
19.	West Bengal	61920	79566	778
20.	Delhi	164000	13964	11744
TOTAL:		942505	996861	945

Statement-II*List of internet Nodes*

Sl. No.	Name of City
I.	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR
1.	Port Blair
II.	ANDHRA PRADESH
1.	Hyderabad
2.	Vijayawada
3.	Vishakhapatnam
4.	Eluru
5.	Guntur
6.	Rajamundari
7.	Tirupati
8.	Warrangal
9.	Adilabad
10.	Ananthapur
11.	Cuddapah
12.	Karimnagar
13.	Khammam
14.	Kurnool
15.	Nellore
16.	Sangareddy
17.	Mehboobnagar
18.	Nalgonda
19.	Ongole
20.	Srikakulam
21.	Vizianagram
III.	ASSAM
1.	Guwahati
2.	Jorhat
3.	Silchar
4.	Bongaigaon
5.	Barpeta

Sl. No.	Name of City
6.	Dhubri
7.	Copibugarh
8.	Golaghat
9.	Karimaganj
10.	Nagaon
11.	North Lakhimpur
12.	Sibsagar
13.	Tezpur
14.	Tinsukia
IV.	BIHAR
1.	Patna
2.	Jamshedpur
3.	Ranchi
4.	Bhagalpur
5.	Bokaro
6.	Dhanbad
7.	Darbhanga
8.	Gaya
9.	Muzzaffarpur
10.	Arrah
11.	Chapra
12.	Daltonganj
13.	Dumka
14.	Hazaribagh
15.	Katihar
16.	Motihari
17.	Munger
18.	Sasaram
19.	Begusarai
20.	Hajipur
21.	Khagaria
22.	Saharsa
23.	Samastipur
24.	Supaul
25.	Siwan
V.	GUJARAT
1.	Ahmedabad
2.	Surat

Sl. No.	Name of City
3.	Vadodara
4.	Rajkot
5.	Bhavnagar
6.	Jamnagar
7.	Gandhinagar
8.	Bharauch
9.	Bhuj
10.	Junagarh
11.	Mehsana
12.	Surendernagar
13.	Valkad
14.	Palcnpur
15.	Himmatnagar
16.	Godhara
17.	Daman
18.	Amreli
19.	Silvasa
20.	Diu
21.	Anandu
22.	Navsani
VI.	HIMACHAL PRADESH
1.	Shimla
2.	Solan
3.	Mandi
4.	Dharmshala
5.	Hamirpur
6.	Kullu
VII.	HARYANA
1.	Faridabad
2.	Gurgoan
3.	Ambala
4.	Panipat
5.	Hissar
6.	Rohtak
7.	Sonipat
8.	Y. Nagar
9.	Karnal

Sl. No.	Name of City
10.	KKR
11.	Sirsa
12.	Bhiwani
13.	Bahadurgarh
14.	Jind
15.	Rewari
16.	Kaithal
17.	Fatehabad
18.	Narnaul
VIII.	JAMMU & KASHMIR
1.	Jammu
2.	Srinagar
3.	Rajouri
4.	Udhampur
5.	Leh
IX.	KARNATAKA
1.	Bangalore
2.	Mysore
3.	Dharwad
4.	Mangalore
5.	Balgaum
6.	Bellary
7.	Devangero
8.	Gulbarga
9.	Hassan
10.	Shimoga
11.	Tumkur
12.	Udupi
13.	Uttar Kannada
14.	Bagal-kot
15.	Bidar
16.	Bijapur
17.	Chamarajnagar
18.	Chitradurga
19.	Chikmangalore
20.	Gadag
21.	HaveG
22.	Kolar

SI. No.	Name of City
23.	Koppal
24.	Mandya
25.	Mercara
26.	Raichur
X	KERALA
1.	Erankulam
2.	Trivandrum
3.	Kannaur
4.	Kollam
5.	Kottaoyam
6.	Kozhikode
7.	Quilon
8.	RTTC Trivandrum
9.	Trichur
10.	Alleppy
11.	Kasargode
12.	Palakkad
13.	Pathanamthaitta
14.	Idukki
15.	Kalpetta
16.	Karvarathi
17.	Malappuram
XII	MAHARASHTRA
1.	Pune
2.	Nasik
3.	Nagpur
4.	Kalyan
5.	Ahmednagar
6.	Panjim
7.	Margaon (Goa)
8.	Akola

SI. No.	Name of City
9.	Latur
10.	Chandrapur
11.	Amravati
12.	Dhule
13.	Satara
14.	Ratnagiri
15.	Jalna
16.	Wardha
17.	Parbani
18.	Yeotmal
19.	Pen
20.	Beed
21.	Bhandara
22.	Osmanabad
23.	Khamgaon (Buldhana)
24.	Gadchiroli
XI	MADHYA PRADESH
1.	Indore
2.	Bhopa)
3.	Gwalior
4.	Jabalpur
5.	Raipur
6.	Durg
7.	Ujjain
8.	Bilaspur
9.	Ratlam
10.	Sagar
11.	Dewas
12.	Satna
13.	Rewa
14.	Khandwa
15.	Mandsaur
16.	Chhindwara
17.	Guna
18.	Katni

Sl. No,	Name of City
19	Vidisha
20	Dhar
21	Chhatarpur
22	Raigarh
23	Khargaon
24	Shivpuri
25	Morena
26	Bhind
27	Betul
28.	Rajnandgaon
29	Jagddalpur
30	Seoni
31	Korba
32	Hoshangabad
33.	Balaghat
34.	Damoh
35.	Sarguja (Ambikapur)
36.	Tikamgarh
37.	Sehore
38.	Shahdol
39.	Narsinghpur
40.	Shajapur
41.	Sheopurokalan
42.	Datia
43.	Mandla
44.	Jhabua
45.	Barwani
46.	Panaa
47.	Sidhi
48.	Raisen
49.	Raigarh
50.	Kanker
51.	Jangir
52.	Joshpurnagar
53.	Dindori
54.	Dantewada
55.	Koria (Manendragarh)

SI. No.	Name of City
XIII	NORTH EAST
1.	Shillong
2.	Agartala
3.	Aizwal
4.	Imphai
5.	Itanagar
6.	Kohima
7.	Dimapur
8.	Tura
9.	Lunglei
10.	RK Pur
11.	Passighat
XIV	ORISSA
1.	Bhubaneswar
2.	Cuttack
3.	Berhampur
4.	Rourkela
5.	Sambhalpur
6.	Balasore
7.	Baripada
8.	Dhenkenal
9.	Keonjhar
10.	Koraput
11.	Phulbani
12.	Bolangir
13.	Bhawanipatna
XV	PUNJAB
1.	Ludhiana
2.	Chandigarh
3.	Jalandhar
4.	Amritsar
5.	Patiala
6.	Hoshiarpur
7.	Bhatinda
8.	Kapurthala
9.	Sangrur
10.	Ferozpur
11.	Faridkot

Sl. No.	Name of City
12.	Muktasar
13.	Mansa
14.	Gurdaspur
15.	Nawan Shahar
16.	Ropar
17.	Moga
18.	Fatehgarh Sahib (may be installed at Mandigobindgarh)
XVII	TAMIL NADU
1.	Coimbatore
2.	Madurai
3.	Cuddalore
4.	Dindidgal
5.	Erode
6.	Hosur
7.	Kanchipuram
8.	Karur
9.	Karaikudi
10.	Nagarcoit
11.	Namakkal
12.	Pondicherry
13.	Salem
14.	Tanjore
15.	Thirunalveli
16.	Trichy
17.	Tuticorin
18.	Vellore
19.	Sivakasi
20.	Kumbakonam
21.	Nagapatnam
22.	Pudukkotal
23.	Ooty
24.	Thairuvarur
25.	Thiruvannamalai
26.	Tiruvellore
27.	Tirupur
28.	Villupuram
29.	Ramanthapuram
30.	Dharmapuri

Sl. No.	Name of City
XVI	RAJASTHAN
1.	Jaipur
2.	Jodhpur
3.	Udaipur
4.	Kota
5.	Ajmer
6.	Bhilwara
7.	Bikaner
8.	Alwar
9.	Sriganganagar
10.	Sikar
11.	Pali
12.	Bharatpur
13.	Chitorgarh
14.	Banswara
15.	Hanumangarh
16.	Jhunjhunu
17.	Sawaimadhopur
18.	Bundi
19.	Nagaur
20.	Barner
21.	Churu
22.	Dausa
23.	Took
24.	Rajasmad (Kankroli)
25.	Dungarpur
26.	Jaisalmer
27.	Dholpur
28.	Baran
29.	Jalawar
30.	Sirohi
31.	Jalore
32.	Karauli
