

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: No, we have discussed it for 7J hours. There is nothing left. Next question.

New telephone connections

*103. SHRI RAMCHANDRA
BHARDWAJ:t SHRI
GURUDEV GUPTA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the new telephone exchanges which are likely to be opened along with their location and capacity; and

(b) the number of new telephone connections proposed to be given during the current year in Delhi and the names of telephone exchanges from which these connections are

proposed to be given and the category-wise details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL): (a) List of large new telephone exchanges of MAX-I type, which are likely to be commissioned during the Sixth Plan, is given in Annexure-I. Small exchanges below 100 line capacity are allotted in bulk to the telecom. field units for installation. The location of these exchanges is decided on the basis of demand and availability of accommodation etc. No specific location is assigned earlier. The number of exchanges allotted circle-wise is given in Annexure-II.

(b) It is proposed to give 8,000 connections in Delhi in 1981-82. The details of bulk release are given in Annexure-III.

Annexure-I

List of New Telephone Exchanges proposed to be installed in the country

Name of District	Name of Exchange	Capacity (in lines)	Tentative Commissioning Programme
<i>Metropolitan Districts :</i>			
I. Bombay	1. *Ville Parle-I	10,000	1982-83
	2. *Marol-I	10,000	"
	3. *Mazagaon-II	10,000	"
	4. *Mankhurd-I	10,000	"
	5. *Mullund-I	10,000	"
	6. *Worli-I	10,000	"
	7. *Wadala-I	10,000	"
	8. *Marol-II	10,000	1983-84
	9. *Sion-I	10,000	"
	10. *Worli-II	10,000	"
	11. *Ville Parle-II	10,000	"
	12. Thurbu	2,000	1985-86

+The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Ramnhandra Bhardwaj.

Name of District	Name of Exchange	Capacity (in lines)	Tentative Commission- ing Programme
II. Calcutta	1. Alipore-II	Main Extn.	2,000 1,000 (2000-3000)
		Extn.	1,000 (3000-4000)
	2. Dum Dum-II		1,000
	3. Sibepur-II	Main	1,500
		Extn.	2,500
	4. Salt Lake		4,000
	5. *Tiretta Bazar-III	Main	7,000
		Extn.	3,000 (7000-10000)
III. Delhi	6. *Central		10,000
	1. *Nehru Place-II		10,000
	2. *Karol Bagh-III		10,000
	3. *Idgah-III		10,000
	4. *Chanakyapuri-II		10,000
IV. Madras	1. Ambattur		2,000
	2. *Harbour	Main Extn.	5,000 5,000 (5000-10000)
	3. *Mambalam		5,000
	4. Chrompet		2,000
<i>Other Districts :</i>			
I. Agra	1. **Unit-II		3,000
II. Ahmedabad	1. Navrangpura-II	Main Extn.	1,000 1,000 (1000-2000)
			2,000
	2. *Navrangpura-III		10,000
	3. Naroda		2,000
	1. *City		10,000
III. Bangalore	2. *Vijay Nagar	Main Extn.	7,000 3,000 (7000-10000)
			10,000
	3. **Jayanagar		4,000
	1. City		2,000
IV. Baroda	2. *Alkapuri	Main Extn.	7,000 3,000 (7000-10000)
			10,000
V. Chandigarh	1. *Unit-III		6,000
VI. Coimbatore	1. **Saibaba Colony		3,000
VII. Hyderabad	1. *Chairminar	Main	6,000
		Extn.	4,000 (6000-10000)
			10,000

Name of District	Name of Exchange	Capacity (in lines)
VIII. Indore	1. *Transport Nagar Main	5,000
	Extn.	5,000 (5000-10000)
		10,000
	2. Indore Unit-III	1,800
IX. Jaipur	1. *Sanganeri Gate Main	6,000
	Extn.	4,000
		10,000
X. Jullundur	1. **Unit-II.	5,000
XI. Lucknow	1. *Mahanagar	5,000
	2. Chowk	2,000
XII. Poona	1. *Mahadji Shinde Main	8,000
	Extn.	2,000
		10,000
XIII. Rajkot	1. *Unit-III Main	5,000
	Extn.	5,000
		10,000
XIV. Surat	1. *Textile Market	10,000
XV. Trivandrum	1. *Kaithamukku Main	5,000
	Extn.	5,000 (5000-10000)
		10,000
XVI. Amritsar	Albert Road	2,400
XVII. Kanpur	Krishnanagar	3,000
XVIII. Madurai (Main)	Talakulam	1,800
XIX. 1. Patna Unit-II		600
2. Patna City Unit-III		300

* Indicates imported 0—400 Cross bar Exchanges. ** Indicates imported ICP type crossbar Exchanges.

List of proposed new Crossbar Telephone Exchanges in the Country

Sl. No.	Circle	Name of Exchange	Capacity
1	Karnataka	Mysore Unit-II Main .	1000
2	Andhra Pradesh	Gunbir Unit-II Main .	2000
3	U.P.	1. Allahabad Unit-II Main .	2000
		2. **Meerut Unit -II Main .	4000
		3. Saharanpur—Mission Road.	900
		4. Varanasi Cantt. . .	1200
4	Orissa	Cuttack Unit -II Main. .	1000
5	J. & K.	1. **Srinagar Unit-II Main .	4000
		2. **Jammu Gandhinagar Main	2000
6	Bihar	Dhanbad Unit-II . .	300
7	Kerala	Kottayam Unit-II . .	2100
8	Maharashtra	Nasik Road Unit-II	600

**To be supplied from new crossbar factory at Rae Bareilly.

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Annexure-II

(for Rajya Sabha Starred Q. No. 103 for 30-11-1981) Statement
showing small auto exchange units to be supplied by ITI during 1981-82

Sl.No.	Circle	25 lines unit	50 lines unit.
1	Andhra	79	46
2	Bihar	8	8
3	Gujarat	17	20
4	J. & K.	9	4
5	Karnataka	31	27
6	Kerala	15	54
7	M.P.	18	7
8	Maharashtra	24	38
9	N.E.	10	9
10	N.W.	22	28
11	Orissa	18	13
12	Rajasthan	20	15
13	Tamil Nadu	32	26
14	U.P.	17	10
15	West Bengal	23	7
	TOTAL	343	312

Annexure -III

Release of New Connections from 1-4-81 to 31-10-81

Category	No. of connections released			
	RG (2200)	KB (900)	GED-I(85) (600)	GBD-II (84) (600)
OYT—S	44	40	41	97
OYT—G	506	186	126	106
Non-OYT—SPL	245	110	187	152
Do. SS	12	1	4	23
Do. Genl.	1393	564	194	182
TOTAL	2200	901	552	560
Unutilised TAG	48 (under release)	40 (under release)
GRAND TOTAL :	2200	901	600	600

Release of new Connecticut from 1-11-81 onward

Name of Exchange No. of connections released	HK (6000)	JB (1000)	OKH (500)	NP (1000)	GBD(84) (200)	GBD(85) (250)	KB (200)
OYT—S	62	177	66	72	9	2	37
OYT—G .	266	72	103	435	31	10	3
Non-OYT—SPL	42	214	113	117	53	40	53
Non-OYT—SS .	44	54	26	49	1	(No W/L)	17
Non-OYT—Genl.	127	384	151	227	86	135	70
Reserved for TAC. Recommendation as per Note-I.	60	100	50	100	20	13	20
TOTAL :	601	1001	509	1000	200	200	200

NOTE 1. According to departmental rules, 5 per cent of the connections released are to be allotted to TAC for sponsoring cases for out of turn release from among OYT and Non-OYT-Spl categories. As it cannot be anticipated whether the members after the recommendation of TAC would recommend cases from OYT or Non-OYT-Spl categories, a reservation of 5 per cent is made each in OYT and Non-OYT-Spl categories. After the recommendation of the TAC members are received, the balance unutilised TAC quota is released in turn in the concerned category.

NOTE 2. It sometimes, happens that the total No. of connections released category-wise as per prescribed per-centage, exceeds the total release given as there might be more than one case registered on a particular day. Such cases of same date of registration are bracketted and released even if it exceeds the total release fig.

श्री राम चन्द्र भारद्वाज : उपसभापति महोदय, देश में स्थापित किये जाने वाले प्रस्थापित टेलीफोन एक्सचेंजों की जो सूची दी गई है वह काफी उत्साहवर्द्धक है। मैं माननीय मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि जो टेलीफोन एक्सचेंजों की व्यवस्था है और आज जो टेलीफोन उपभोक्ताओं की हालत है उसमें सुधार लाने के लिए क्या कोई प्रभावी कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं ताकि उपभोक्ताओं को किसी प्रकार की दिक्कत न हो। माननीय मंत्री महोदय को यह मालूम है कि अनेक संसद सदस्यों ने रॉय विलिंग से भयवस्तु हो कर एस० टी० डी० के कनेक्शन्स बन्द करवा दिये हैं। ऐसी स्थिति में क्या मंत्री महोदय कोई प्रभावी व्यवस्था करने जा रहे हैं ताकि नये एक्सचेंज खोलने के साथ-साथ उनका सही उपयोग भी हो सके?

श्री कार्तिक ओरांव : जहाँ तक टेलीफोन के बकिंग का सवाल है, एक्सेस विलिंग का सवाल है और इनके बहुत सेटिस-फैक्ट्री न होने का सवाल है, हम तो यही कहना चाहते हैं कि टेलिफोन के बकिंग में बहुत से फैक्टर्स हैं। कुछ ह्यूमन फैक्टर्स हैं, कुछ स्टेट गवर्नमेंट्स के पावर कर्प्स के फैक्टर्स हैं, कहीं चोरी हो जाती है, केवल की चोरी हो जाती है, वायर की चोरी हो जाती है और हमारा सोशियल फैब्रिक कुछ ऐसा है जिसकी वजह से ये सब बातें होती हैं।

Everybody is responsible for this faulty functioning of the telephone system.

श्री रामचन्द्र भारद्वाज : उपसभापति जी, मैं आपके माध्यम से मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहूँगा कि क्या एशियाड के लिए किसी टेलीफोन एक्सचेंज की

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व्यवस्था की गई है अगर की गई है तो क्या वह क्रोस वार एक्सचेंज होगा या वह एक्सचेंज इलेक्ट्रॉनिक सिस्टम से संचालित होगा?

श्री कार्तिक ओरांव : इसके लिए भी व्यवस्था हो रही है और इसके लिए इम्पोर्ट का पूरा इंतजाम किया गया है।

श्री गुरुदेव गुप्त : मैं माननीय मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहूँगा कि यह जो क्रोस वार टेलीफोन प्रणाली है, क्या यह सही है कि यह सारे विश्व से ओक्सी-लॉट हो चुकी है लेकिन फिर भी हमारे देश में क्रोस वार टेलीफोन एक्सचेंज खोले जा रहे हैं? मैं यह भी जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या सरकार इलेक्ट्रॉनिक प्रणाली से संचालित होने वाले टेलीफोन एक्सचेंज खोलने की तरफ ध्यान देगी ताकि उपभोक्ताओं को जो परेशानी होती है और प्रतिदिन जिस प्रकार से टेलीफोन खराब रहते हैं वह न हो सकें?

श्री कार्तिक ओरांव : श्रीमन्, यह कहना गलत न होगा कि टेक्नालॉजी बहुत फास्ट मूव कर रही है। लेकिन यह क्रोस वार स्ट्राउजर का सिस्टम 3-4 कन्ट्रीज में वर्क कर रहा है। हम भी इस क्रोस वार एक्सचेंज के सिस्टम का एक्सपीरिएन्स कर रहे हैं। उसके अनुभव के आधार पर हम धीरे-धीरे आगे बढ़ना चाहते हैं। मैं आपको यह भी बता दूँ कि हम लोगों ने प्लान में दो लाख लाइन्स का तो क्रोस वार के लिए इंतजाम किया हुआ है और पांच लाख लाइन्स का इलेक्ट्रॉनिक प्रणाली के लिए इंतजाम किया हुआ है।

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : श्रीमन्, मंत्री महोदय ने दिल्ली में बहुत से नये कनेक्शन देने का आश्वासन दिया है और कई बार दिया गया है। बहुत से पत्रकार हैं, एक्स्टेंडेड कार्सपोण्डेंट्स हैं उनको भी सालों तक क्यू में लगना पड़ता है। एक बार सुझाव आया था कि जो एक्स्टेंडेड कार्सपोण्डेंट्स हैं दिल्ली में उनको तुरन्त कनेक्शन मिलने चाहिये। क्या मंत्री महोदय इस बात पर विचार करेंगे और क्या यह बात उनके विचाराधीन है कि जितने भी एक्स्टेंडेड कार्सपोण्डेंट्स दिल्ली में हैं उनको तुरन्त स्थायी कनेक्शन दिये जायें ?

श्री कार्तिक ओरांव : जितने भी पत्रकार हैं उनको स्पेशल कैटेगरी के अन्दर दिया जाता है। लेकिन पत्रकार ऐसे-ऐसे हैं, इतने हैं कि अगर सब पत्रकारों को लगा दिया जाय तो वाकियों को नहीं मिलेगा... (व्यवधान) इसलिये इसमें भी प्रायोरिटी देनी पड़ेगी। लेकिन यह बात ध्यान में रहेगी और पत्रकारों का काम पूरा करने की कोशिश की जायेगी।

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : मैं मंत्री महोदय को बताना चाहूंगा कि... (व्यवधान)

श्री उपसभापति : उन्होंने जवाब दिया है...

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : उन्होंने गलत समझा है। एक्स्टेंडेड पत्रकारों की संख्या बहुत कम है मुश्किल से 40-50 होगी। उनके पास टेलीफोन नहीं हैं... (व्यवधान)...

श्री उपसभापति : इसका जवाब दे दिया मंत्री जी ने।

श्री कार्तिक ओरांव : जो आपका सुझाव है इसको ध्यान में रखा जायेगा।

SHRI B. N. BANERJEE: Is the Minister aware that there is strong opinion in the country or rather views are held by many people in the country that the Ministry of Communications in the Telephone Department places too much importance on opening of new telephone exchanges and telephone lines but very little emphasis is laid or care taken about maintenance of the telephone lines and telephone exchanges which are already in existence and about re-

plenishing,' the machinery which has become obsolete. Will the Minister agree with me that if greater emphasis is placed on maintenance of the telephone lines and replenishment of obsolete machinery, the telephone services would be better in the country and possibly that would be doing greater service to the subscribers?

SHRI KARTIK ORAON: The Government is very much concerned about improving the telephone system in our country. But we just cannot ignore the demand also. Everyday the demand is rising so that expansion is also necessary. Of course, improvement is necessary and we have got a high powered Sarin Committee which is going into the details, it has submitted five reports and those reports are being processed. We will study them and good suggestions will be taken care of and I hope the honourable Member will be happy to find that improvements are taking place.

SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: What are you going to do about dead telephones? In spite of complaining twice, my telephone is still dead and it has not become alive. In spite of repeated complaints, the telephones are not repaired. My telephone is not repaired till today in spite of complaining twice.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Please sit down. Now, Dr. Zakaria.

DR. RAFIQ ZAKARIA: I will confine my question to the state of affairs in Bombay. I would like to know from the Minister what the pending requirements are of the citizens of Bombay and how far these new exchanges meet those requirements.

Secondly, while more exchanges are being built, more deterioration is taking place not only in the old ex« changes but also in the new exchanges—this is our experience. I appreciate the Minister's sentiment that everybody is responsible, but constitutionally the responsibility rests with Mr. Stephen, and let him better take some extra care of the fact that deterioration is increasing day by day. With development, instead of there being improvement, there is deterioration.

Thirdly, in regard to the quota of 5 per cent that has been left to the Telephone Advisory Committee, Mr. Stephen gave a certain categorical assurance in this House that the list for these priorities will be prepared by the General Manager and not by the members giving the names. He had assured that when these priorities are to be given by the members, it will be done by secret ballot so that there is no question of influence so far as this is concerned. As far as my knowledge is concerned, no such instructions up till date have been received by the General Managers, Telephones, in these matters. These are the three specific points on which I expect the Minister to enlighten us.

SHRI KARTIK ORAON: I did say that everybody is responsible. But thereby I do not mean that the Minis-try of Communications is not responsible. What I meant to say was that the Ministry of Communications needs cooperation of everybody. If everybody is to cooperate, then this situation can improve. That is what I said. I do not blame everybody. The system is such that if it has to be improved everybody must cooperate including hon. Members in the opposition.

Priorities are supposed to be fixed by the General Managers. If the hon. Member has any specific complaint in this connection, we will be happy to attend to it....

DR. RAFIQ ZAKARIA: I want your protection. I asked specific questions to which he has not replied at all. I asked about the pending requirements and how the present exchanges can meet them. I told the Minister that Mr. Stephen had given certain assurances—categorical assurances—which are not being implemented. Now the Minister says that 'if you have any complaint, I will look into it'.

SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL: As fa* as Bombay is concerned, the information is given in Annexure I.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: You read Annexure I.

SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL: We have already given the expansion programme there. Ville Parle-I exchange will have 10,000 lines...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Do not read all those things.

SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL: The total requirement of Bombay is increasing day by day. There are more than 1,00,000 people waiting for telephones in Bombay. All over the country there are about 5,30,000 people wait-ing...

DR. RAFAQ ZAKARIA: I wanted to know whether the existing exchanges can meet these requirements.

SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL: There are new exchanges at Bandra and Prabha-devi. Bandra will accommodate 40,000 lines. As far as special category allotment by TAC members is concerned, they get very little share. These allotments are made by the method of voting.

SHRI PILOO MODY: Where is the Minister of Communications?

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The other Ministers are here.

SHRI PILOO MODY: To you it may not matter. To me it does.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: But they are competent to reply to your questions.

SHRI PILOO MODY: That is not the matter. He is fiddling in politics in Kerala instead of attending to his Parliamentary duties here.

DR. RAFIQ ZAKARIA: He said that the other Ministers are good enough for you.

' SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: Sir, he said he needs cooperation. May I request him to ask for cooperation from that side?

SHRI ARABINDA GHOSH: The hon. Minister invites unnecessary questions by his vague replies. He asked for cooperation. What kind of cooperation does he want? Let him say what cooperation he needs from us. It is not proper for a Minister to ask for cooperation in a vague manner without specifying what type of cooperation he wants. In every meeting we hear the word 'cooperation cooperation', Let him explain to us what cooperation he wants.

SHRI KARTIK ORAON: In our country sometimes the Unions come forward with so many demands. And

the opposition parties encourage them in this. They are the persons who are responsible for organising strikes. Last time the ITI was closed for 77 days involving loss for so many crores of rupees. Therefore, by 'cooperation' I mean that the opposition parties should cooperate with the Government. Co-operation means... (Interruptions)... co-operation from all including the Member, Mr. Mody. He is a very good co-operator.

(Interruptions)

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Order, please. Next question.

SHRI PILOO MODY: Sir, I am co-operating with the Government by using the telephone to the minimum extent possible. (Interruptions).

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: All right. We have moved on to the next question now. Yes, Question No. 104. Yes, Mr. Khandelwal.

उर्दू समाचार-पत्रों में विज्ञापन

* 104 श्री प्यारे लाल खंडेलवाल : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि दिल्ली तथा मध्य प्रदेश से प्रकाशित होने वाले दैनिक तथा साप्ताहिक उर्दू समाचार-पत्रों को 1980-81 के वर्ष के दौरान कितने-कितने विज्ञापन दिये गये ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (MISS KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI) : Sir, the number of advertisements release....

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Madam, nothing audible. You read it again (Interruptions). Madam, nothing is audible. Please read it again.

MISS KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI: Sir, the number of advertisements released to the daily and weekly Urdu newspapers published from Delhi and