

**Opening of public call offices in
Jalpaiguri Division of West
Bengal**

1056. SHRI BHAIKAB CHANDRA
MAHANTI;
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the places where public telephone call offices have been opened or are likely to be opened in Jalpaiguri Division of the West Bengal Circle during the years 1978-79, 1979-80 and 1980-81; and

(b) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to improve the efficiency in the working of the telephonic system of that Division?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI C. M. STEPHEN): (a) As per annexure. [See Statement below].

(b) The following steps have been taken to improve the efficiency of working of telephonic system in Jalpaiguri Division.

1. Rehabilitation and frequent inspection of wiring in the premises of telephone subscribers.

2. Provision of standby engine alternators to provide continuous power supply.

The following steps are proposed to be taken to improve the services further:—

(i) Installation of microwave system linking Jalpaiguri with Calcutta and Siliguri.

(ii) Augmentation of inter-exchange trunk circuits to meet traffic requirements.

Statement

**PUBLIC CALL OFFICES IN
JALPAIGURI DIVISION**

1. Opened in 1978-79

1. Dharampur

2. Kamarbhita.
3. Kamekhyaguri.
4. Mathurapur.
5. Hariyadanga.
6. Thakurpara.
7. Kannaur.

2. Opened in 1979-80

1. Milangarh.
2. Agra Harish Chandrapur.
3. Dhantala.
4. Burey.
5. Raskua.
6. Majhar (Majhar).
7. Karada.
8. Champatuli.
9. Gusaibadi.
10. Barabissa.
11. Ghuksadanga.
12. Jaldagha.
13. Helapatri.
14. Ranirhat.
15. Pukuria.
16. Bhatole.

3. Proposed to be opened in 1980-81

1. Kuslibari.
2. Dewanganj.
3. Satsibotha.
4. Takshikhata.
5. Churabhandar.
6. Serpamokdumpur.
7. Mianhat.
8. Churianadpur.
9. Babla.
10. Bhado.
11. Subanagar.
12. Amrit.
13. Talalhat
14. Sariahat.
15. Hamjpur.
16. Samjia.