

Electronic Telephone Exchanges in Chhattisgarh and M.P.

†3827. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have any proposal to set up Electronic Telephone Exchange in Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof location-wise; and
- (c) the amount allocated for this purpose for the year 2002-2003?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of proposed stations where Electronic Telephone Exchanges are planned for the year 2002-2003 in Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh are being worked out.

(c) Circle-wise funds allocation is also being worked out.

Hiring of Private Buildings for Post Offices

3828. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some of the Post Offices in Delhi are housed in private buildings;
- (b) if so, the details of the criteria/procedure for hiring such buildings;
- (c) whether Government propose to shift post office-110073 to a new building;
- (d) if so, what steps have been taken, so far in this regard; and
- (e) by when it is likely to be shifted to a new building?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Buildings for post offices are normally hired by issue of tender notices. A Fair Rent Assessment Committee is thereafter constituted for making recommendations regarding suitability of accommodation offered for the purpose for which required and assessment of rent for the premises.

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(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise in view of (c) above.

Allotment of ISD/STD/PCOs/Fax

3829. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the applications received for allotment of ISD/STD/PCOs/Fax etc. in Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and the North-Eastern Region States;

(b) the number of applications sanctioned for the same in these States; and

(c) the number of ISD/STD/PCOs/Fax etc. that were proposed to be released in these States during the year 2001-2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) to (c) Sir, the requisite information is given below:

Name of the State(s)	No. of applications for allotment of ISD/STD/PCOs/FAX received during 2000-2001	No. of applications sanctioned	Target that was proposed for 2001-2002
Jharkhand	2631	2417	3000
Uttar Pradesh	16750	15009	7500
Uttaranchal	5834	5516	750
Chhattisgarh	729	693	1875
Madhya Pradesh	3824	3803	3750
Orissa	5473	4966	2605
North-Eastern Region Comprising Assam, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, . Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	5457	4851	3269