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- (c) Subscriber loop length being reduced by planning more Remote Subscribers Units (RSUs)/Remote Line Units (RLUs)/ Digital Loop Carriers (DLCs).
- (d) Overhead wires are minimized by introducing 5 pair cables and wall Distribution Points (DPs).
- (e) Rehabilitation work in respect of leading in cables and rewiring of multi-storeyed buildings is being done.
- (f) Paper core underground cables are being replaced by Jelly Filled Cables/Optical Fibre Cables with DLCs.
- (g) All the electro-mechanical exchanges and analog electronic exchanges In MTNL, Delhi and Mumbai have been replaced by digital electronic exchanges.

Discontinuation of STD call details in Bills

2950. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(b) whether it is a fact that MTNL has discontinued providing details of the STD calls to the subscribers in their monthly telephone bills in Delhi, as a result, the subscribers remain unaware of any breach of their STD secret code; and

(c) whether Government propose to direct the MTNL to revive the old practice for the sake of transparency and benefit of the subscribers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) Sir, the details of the STD/ ISD calls are being provided to the subscribers in their monthly telephone bills in Delhi on request.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.