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**Electronic Telephone Exchange at
Joggiahpetta, Andhra Pradesh****5846. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA
RAO VADDE:** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up an electronic automatic exchange at Joggiahpetta in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the date by which it is likely to start functioning ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS: (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir A 1500 lines Electronic Exchange is proposed to be set up in Joggiahpetta in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) The exchange is likely to be commissioned in 1993-94.

**C-Dot Telephone Exchanges in Krishna
District of Andhra Pradesh****5847. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA
RAO VADDE:** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been made in to the functioning of C-DOT system in rural areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Department propose to provide C-DOT telephone exchanges in some places in Krishna District of Andhra Pradesh;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the date by which the Tiruvuru exchange is likely to be provided with direct dialling facility with Vijayawada?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS: (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No special study has been undertaken.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) At present there are twelve C-DOT 128 port exchanges working in Krishna District. It is proposed to commission 8 nos. of 128 port C-DOT exchanges during 1991-92 at the following places tentatively subject to availability of equipment:-

1. Banthumilli
2. Chinnapuram
3. Moturu
4. Koduni
5. Chandralapadu
6. Jamilgolvepalli
7. Mustabad
8. Kuchipudi.

It is further Proposed to install C-DOT MAX exchanges at

1. Gudivada
2. Joggiahpetta
3. Machilipatnam
4. Nuzvid

during 8th Five Year Plan

(e) STD at Tiruvuru is likely to be provided after automatisation and building up of stable media by 1993-94.