

1	2	3	4	5
32.	Muzaffarpur	5	-	-
33.	Siwan	2	-	-
34.	Godda	1	-	-
35.	Giridih	1	-	-
36.	Jamui	1	-	-
37.	Bhabhua	1	-	-
38.	Saharsa	2	-	-
39.	Supaul	1	-	-
40.	Araria	1	-	-
41.	Samastipur	3	-	-
42.	Darbhanga	1	-	-
43.	Purnea	1	-	-
44.	Madhubani	1	-	-
45.	Khagria	2	-	-
	Total	90	-	-

[English]

Telephone Exchanges in Assam

2400. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any decision was taken in the last annual report for setting up of telephone exchanges in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of telephone exchanges set up so far and the number of exchanges likely to be set up in the State during 1996-97, location-wise?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present 285 telephone exchanges are functioning in the state of Assam. 10 New Telephone exchanges have been tentatively planned to be opened during 1996-97 at the following locations subject to availability of minimum required registered demand and infrastructure.

1. Kotamoni Bazar (Commissioned)
2. Rangachacua (Commissioned)
3. Singri
4. Deomornoigaon
5. Jhaklabanda
6. Bebeja
7. Jajuli
8. Ghilamara
9. Manikpur
10. Neepco Kathalguri

[Translation]

Allocation for Upliftment of Scheduled Tribes

2401. SHRI LALIT ORAON : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state the amount allocated for the implementation of welfare scheme for the upliftment of Scheduled Tribes in Bihar during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : The amount allocated by the Ministry of Welfare for the implementation of Welfare schemes for the upliftment of Scheduled Tribes in Bihar during each of the last three years is as under :

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Amount allocated
1993-94	4487.06
1994-95	2746.75
1995-96	4967.11

[English]

Time allotted to Nepali Programme

2402. SHRI R.B. RAI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the time allotted to each day to Nepali programmes on Calcutta Doordarshan;

(b) whether the Government have received representation for increase in time; and

(c) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) 10 minutes per day for four days in a week.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Electronic Exchanges in A.P.

2403. SHRI YELLAIAH NANDI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of electronic as well as electro-mechanical telephone exchanges functioning in Andhra Pradesh, as on date, district-wise; and

(b) the number of such new exchanges, proposed to be set up in the State, district-wise, during 1996-97 and 1997-98?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) There are 1683 nos. of electronic