

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6430
ANSWERED ON:08.05.2000
TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN KERALA
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of telephone connections allotted in Kerala as on date, district-wise;
- (b) the number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in the State at present, district-wise;
- (c) the number of telephone connections proposed to be provided in the state during 2000-2001, locion-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to clear the waiting-list in the state?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS

(SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b) Number of telephone connections working in Kerala Telecom Circle and the waiting list for telephone connections as on 31-3-2000, district-wise, is in Annuxure-I.

(c) No. of telephone connections proposed to be provided in the Circle during 2000-2001 Secondary Switching Area-wise, is in Annexure-II.

(d) 450000 new telephone connections are proposed to provided during 2000-01. The remaining applicants are proposed to be cleared progressively by March 2002. For this, the existing exchanges are being expanded and new exchanges are being opened.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a), (b) & (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6430 FOR 8th MAY, REGARDING TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN KERALA ANNEXURE-I

KERALA TELECOM CIRCLE AS ON 31-3-2000

SL. NAME OF DISTRICT NO. OF TELEPHONE NO.OF PERSONS IN
NO. CONNECTIONS WORKING THE WAITING LIST

1 ALLEPPEY	100122	52183
2 CALICUT	131640	69511
3 CANNANORE	113519	55301
4 ERNAKULAM	275203	37797
5 IDUKKI	45632	22838
6 KASARAGOD	50648	30491
7 KOTTAYAM	141698	36616
8 MALAPPURAM	90186	83388
9 PALAGHAT	85666	43662
10 PATHANAMTHITTO	102388	31024
11 QUILON	127798	60529
12 TRICHUR	193166	56999
13 TRIVANDRUM	214029	42849
14 WYNAD	20170	22073

TOTAL FOR KERALA STATE 1691865 645261

U/T OF LAKSHADWEEP 5541 1803

U/T OF MAHE (PONDICHERRY) 7733 101

TOTAL FOR KERALA CIRCLE 1705139 647165

ANNEXURE-II

SL. NAME OF SECONDARY NO. OF TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS PROPOSED
NO. SWITCHING AREA TO BE PROVIDED DURING 2000-01

1 ALLEPPEY 30000

2 CALICUT 80000

3 CANNANORE 45000

4 ERNAKULAM 75000

5 KOTTAYAM 30000

6 PALAGHAT 20000

7 PATHANAMTHITTO 25000

8 QUILON 40000

9 TRICHUR 50000

10 TRIVANDRUM 55000

TOTAL FOR KERALA CIRCLE 450000