

(a) whether Manipur has requested for the removal of Assam Rifles from the site of Kangla; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) After the Government of Manipur have provided facilities like Water, power and approach road to the new site recently allotted by it in Senapati/Imphal District in favour of Assam Rifles, Government would endeavour to quickly develop the site to raise minimum infrastructure on it with a view to shift the Assam Rifles Battalion from its present location in Kangla Fort, Imphal.

Telephone Connections in Andhra Pradesh

3910. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the latest number of applicants for Telephone connections in Andhra Pradesh,

district-wise and particularly in and around Vijayawada city; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to clear the waiting list?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The waiting list of applicants for telephone connections in Andhra Pradesh, District-wise and Vijayawada as on 30.11.1991 is given in Statement-I & II respectively.

(b) The Department of Telecom has formulated draft Eighth Five Year Plan for telecom development and it is envisaged to:-

- Provide telephone connections practically on demand in rural and tribal areas.
- Waiting period for telephone connections not to exceed two years at large telephone systems.

Accordingly expansion programmes are being drawn for Andhra Pradesh to wipe out waiting list progressively by the end of the Eighth Plan period.

STATEMENT-I

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of Telecom District</i>	<i>No. of wait listed applicants (As on 30.11.91)</i>
1.	Rangareddy	1516
2.	Mahabubnagar	995
3.	Kurnool	2187
4.	Anantapur	1355
5.	Cuddapah	1564

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of Telecom District</i>	<i>No. of wait listed applicants (As on 30.11.91)</i>
6.	Tirupathi	2885
7.	Nellore	2190
8.	Guntur	4858
9.	Prakasam	722
10.	Krishna	9204
11.	Warangal	3326
12.	Karimnagar	1683
13.	Nalgonda	1265
14.	Khammam	1451
15.	Adilabad	610
16.	Nizamabad	399
17.	West Godavari	2635
18.	Visakhapatna	8668
19.	Srikakulam	454
20.	Vizianagaram	485
21.	East Godavari	4072
22.	Rangareddy	3140
23.	Hyderabad	71257
Total		126921

STATEMENT-II*Waiting list of exchanges in and around Vijayawada city as on 30.11.1991*

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of the Exchange</i>	<i>No. of waiting list</i>
1.	CTX, Vijayawada	4467
2.	Bandar Road, Vijayawada	1521
3.	Industrial Estate, Vijayawada	957
4.	Ibrahimpatna	35
5.	Poranki	134
6.	Ramavarappadu	104
7.	Gannavaram	277
8.	Kondapalli	31
9.	Kankipadu	150
10.	Kotham Tadapally	1
11.	Mulapada	18
12.	Mustabad	6
13.	Munna	3
14.	G. Konduru	6
	Total	7710

*[Translation]***Telephone Connections in Uttar Pradesh**

3911. SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons for getting th

new telephone connections in Uttar Pradesh upto October 1991, district-wise particularly in Allahabad; and

(b) the time by which telephone connections are likely to be provided to them?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The state-