

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:565  
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VILLAGE PUBLIC TELEPHONE FACILITY IN MADHYA PRADESH  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) the number of villages covered by the Village Public Telephone facility and where the said facility is not available in Madhya Pradesh particularly in backward areas and Bihar particularly in Saharsa and Supal districts during the last three years, separately, district-wise; and

(b) The number of such telephones proposed to be provided in those States during 2000-2001, location-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The Village Public Telephone facility has been provided in large number of villages in Madhya Pradesh including backward areas and in Bihar including Saharsa and Supal districts. Information on such facility provided during the last three years is as under:

Madhya Pr. Bihar Saharsa Distt. Supal Distt.

No. of Villages      71526    79208    438    517

Villages Provided with      43615    21856    287    275  
VPTs upto 31-01-2000

Villages not having VPTs    27911    57352    151    242

VPTs provided during last 3 years

1997-98      3878    2615    56    48  
1998-99      3707    2137    42    24  
1999-2000 (Upto 31st Jan, 2000)    334    503    16    12

b) the number of such telephones proposed to be provided in those States during 2000-2001, location-wise? District-wise information is in the enclosed Annexures.

(b) The Govt. plans are to provide 3,000 VPTs in Madhya Pradesh and 17,700 VPTs in Bihar during 2000-2001. VPTs are provided at places which are easily accessible to public.

Annexure

VPTs provided in different districts in MP during last 3 years

Sl. No. Name of District 1997-98 1998-99 1999-2000 (As on 21-02-2000)

1 Balaghat    124    152    80  
2 Bastar      12    230    23  
3 Belul      14    260    15  
4 Bhind      87    28    0  
5 Bhopal     43    0    0

6	Bilaspur	20	350	166
7	Chhainaripur	24	55	0
8	Chhindwara	117	307	131
9	Damoh	13	42	0
10	Delia	0	0	0
11	Dewas	36	33	0
12	Dhar	3	0	0
13	Durg	5	134	28
14	Guna	172	39	0
15	Gwalior	0	0	0
16	Hoshangabad	112	81	0
17	Indore	72	23	0
18	Jabalpur	194	50	0
19	Jhabua	218	17	0
20	Khandwa	38	0	0
21	Khargaon	102	154	94
22	Mandla	33	143	39
23	Mandsaur	251	81	0
24	Morena	135	34	0
25	Narsingpur	100	152	114
26	Panna	59	0	0
27	Raigarh	13	170	48
28	Raipur	0	200	20
29	Raisen	179	19	0
30	Rajgarh	63	30	0
31	Rajanandgaon	0	0	0
32	Ratlam	170	15	0
33	Rewa	12	70	0
34	Sagar	140	41	0
35	Sarguja	0	120	0
36	Satna	202	101	0
37	Sehore	75	65	0
38	Seoni	90	222	148
39	Shahdol	160	101	0
40	Shajapur	110	79	0
41	Shivpuri	302	70	0
42	Sidhi	29	0	0
43	Tikamgarh	14	5	0
44	Ujjain	154	0	0
45	Vidisha	185	34	0

Total 3878 3707 906

#### Annexure

VPTs provided in different districts in Bihar during last 3 years

Sl. No. Name of District 1997-98 1998-99 1999-2000

1	Arrah	96	24	58
2	Araria	34	52	51
3	Aurangabad	48	36	24
4	Banka	80	63	41
5	Begusarai	29	12	60
6	Bhabhua	44	11	00
7	Bhagalpur	147	112	72
8	Bokaro	48	100	30
9	Buxer	58	11	47
10	Chapra	28	36	120
11	Chatra	00	05	00
12	Darbhanga	24	12	72
13	Deoghar	74	40	12
14	Dhanbad	96	198	56
15	Dumka	72	48	12
16	E. Champaran	78	72	48
17	E.Singhbhum	52	00	21
18	Gaya	48	48	24
19	Garhwa	00	21	29
20	Giridih	38	36	05
21	Godda	48	12	12
22	Gopalganj	12	20	30
23	Gumla	48	26	12
24	Hazaribagh	48	42	08
25	Jahanabad	26	04	06
26	Jamui	52	40	39
27	Katihar	58	60	48
28	Khagria	24	12	36
29	Kishanganj	32	34	36
30	Kodarma	10	36	08

31 Lakhisarai 39 14 12  
32 Lehardaga 22 10 04  
33 Madhepura 41 08 04  
34 Madhubani 24 14 72  
35 Mungher 46 36 24  
36 Muzaffarpur 54 48 04  
37 Nalanda 64 140 16  
38 Nawada 21 24 12  
39 Pukur 12 08 01  
40 Patna 136 138 22  
41 Palamu 06 36 30  
42 Purnea 66 48 46  
43 Ranchi 112 84 12  
44 Rohtas 69 16 01  
45 Saharsa 42 36 16  
46 Sahibganj 30 22 12  
47 Samastipur 24 12 72  
48 Sheohar 05 04 01  
49 Shekhpura 34 24 12  
50 Sitamarhi 54 48 02  
51 Siwan 12 24 30  
52 Supaul 44 36 12  
53 Vaishali 80 29 44  
54 W.Champaran 54 53 23  
55 W.Singhbhum 62 02 34