

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1663

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TELEPHONE FACILITY TO THE SUBSCRIBERS OF HALDIBARI (W.B.)

AMAR ROY PRADHAN

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government have received any representation from public representatives for providing telephone facility to the subscribers of Haldibari(W.B.) from Jalpaiguri Telephone Exchange instead of Mekhliganj ?

(b) If so, the details thereof during the last three years;and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Yes Sir

(b) The detail of the representation received in this connection is as under:

In 1998, Shri Amar Roy Pradhan, MP(LS) vide his letter dated 17.6.98 represented to the MO (C) for provision of direct connectivity between Haldibari and Jalpaiguri.

(c) Local call facility at 180 sec. Pulse rate (i.e. inter-dialing without STD code) has been provided between subscribers of Mekhliganj SDCA (including Haldibari) and Jalpaiguri SDCA. Haldibari Exchange has also been directly connected to Jalpaiguri TAX through 120 Channel Digital UHF for STD service.