

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:208  
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SDCA TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN BIHAR  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

- (a). the number of Short Distance Charging Areas (SDCAs) telephone exchanges functioning at present in Bihar;
- (b). whether these exchanges are functioning properly in the state particularly in Shekhpura, Lakhisarai, Begusarai and Jamui districts;  
and
- (c). if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (TAPAN SIKDAR)

- (a). There are 179 telephone exchanges functioning at the centre of SDCA (i.e.SDCC) at present in Bihar.
- (b). These exchanges are generally functioning properly particularly in Shekhpura, Lakhisarai, Begusarai and jamui districts.
- (c). Not applicable in view of (b) above.