

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

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PUBLISHING OF TELEPHONE DIRECTORY  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the telephone directory has not been published since 2001 in Bihar, particularly in Saharsa SSA;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to publish the telephone directory in time?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY( SHRI . PRADHAN)

(a)&(b) In Saharsa Telecom District the last directory was printed in October, 2001. However, in 5 telecom districts of Bihar directories have been printed during the year 2002 and 2003. In the remaining telecom districts including Saharsa the directories are to be printed progressively during the current year.

(c) The policy for printing of the telephone directories was revised in 1998 and almost all the powers were delegated to the Chief General Managers of the telecom circles to ensure timely publication of directories.