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TELEPHONE EXCHANGE
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present position of telephone exchange at Gogamukh and Hिलामारा under TDM, Tejpur in Assam;
- (b) the reasons for irregularity, non working of Gogamukh Ghilamara Telephone Exchange; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to restore working of said telephone exchange.

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) to (c). The telephone exchanges at Ghilamara and Gogamukh under TDM, Tejpur were not working satisfactorily owing to non-reliable transmission media. The overhead carrier system of Gogamukh Telephone exchange has since been replaced by Optical Fiber Cable system in June,2000 and the performance of this exchange has considerably improved. Ghilamara Exchange is at present working on VHF system and, therefore, the working is not very satisfactory. The VHF system is expected to be replaced by 30 channel digital UHF system shortly and the performance of this exchange would also improve.