

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2311  
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TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN AMBALA  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government propose to expand the capacity of existing telephone exchanges and provide modern facilities in Ambala region, Haryana during the year 2000-2001;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR )

(a) Yes, Sir,

(b) 1) Capacity of existing telephone exchanges in Ambala SSA are proposed to be expanded by 30,000 lines during 2000-2001.

2) The following facilities are already available in Ambala.

- i) Internet
- ii) IN Service

3) The following facilities are proposed to be provided in Ambala SSA during 2000-2001.

- i) ISDN
- ii) Reliable Media.
- iii) VPTs in all villages .
- iv) Computerised fault repair service in all exchanges above 2000 lines in phased manner.

(c) Not applicable in view of above.