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WAITING LIST FOR TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of waiting list for telephone connections in all the major cities, district headquarters and rural areas of Gujarat as on date;
- (b) the number of telephone connections provided during the last three years and the amount spent thereon; and
- (c) the new Telecom schemes under the consideration of the Union Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) The details of waiting list of telephone connections in all the major cities, district headquarters and rural areas of Gujarat are given in the Annexure.

(b) The details in regard to gross new telephone connections provided during the last three years and amount spent thereon are as under:-

Year	Telephone Connections Provided (Gross)	Amount Spent (Rs. in Crores)
2002-03	584669	896.19
2003-04	398840	337.21
2004-05	465548 (Provisional)	107.73

(c) (i) In order to expand its telecommunication network, BSNL has planned for a massive addition in its wireless customer base throughout the length and breadth of the country.

(ii) BSNL infrastructure is being deployed to provide Broadband services throughout the country.

ANNEXURE

WAITING LIST OF TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN ALL THE MAJOR CITIES, DISTRICT HEADQUARTER AND RURAL AREAS OF GUJARAT

Sl No	SSA	Revenue Distt Covered	Waiting List at Distt HQ	Waiting List at SSA	Urban#	Rura	Total
1	Ahmedabad	Ahmedabad Gandhinagar	2937 69	3006	2021	1	5027
2	Amreli	Amreli	31	31	346		377
3	Bharuch	Bharuch Narmada	0 13	47	3200		3247
4	Bhavnagar	Bhavnagar	138	612	2514		3126
5	Bhuj	Kutch	5	47	3583		3630
6	Godhra	Godhra Dahod	0 16	109	1919		2028
7	Himatnagar	Sabarkantha	0	143	2011		2154
8	Jamnagar	Jamnagar	0	191	3077		3308

9	Junagadh	Junagadh	0	641	6176	6817
		Porbandar	150			
		Diu (UT)	20			
10	Mehsana	Mehsana	73	762	4162	4924
		Patan	59			
11	Nadiad	Nadiad	370	792	2592	3384
		Anand	285			
12	Palanpur	Banaskant ha	0	81	6959	7040
13	Rajkot	Rajkot	144	623	5848	6471
14	Surat	Surat	228	533	1286	1819
15	Surendrana gar	Surendran agar	125	517	2800	3317
16	Vadodara	Vadodara	130	130	1171	1301
17	Valsad	Valsad	24	838	2571	3409
		Navasari	339			
		Dang	20			
		Daman (UT)	0			
		Dadra Nagar Haveli (UT)	114			
		Total	5290	9103	5223	61379

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including waiting list at District Headquarter.
