

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

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STREAMLINING OF MOBILE SERVICES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the BSNL has identified places to instal new equipments and mobile towers to streamline the mobile-services in the country, particularly in Bihar and Jharkhand; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. BSNL has identified additional areas for providing cellular coverage to additional cities/towns upto Tehsil headquarter (Sub-divisional headquarter), National Highways and other important towns in the various States of the country depending upon business and commercial viability. Accordingly, 524 new sites in Bihar and 290 sites in Jharkhand have been planned and identified for expansion of cellular coverage during 2005-06. The capacity augmentation presently in progress for the year 2005-06 are as per Annexure.

Annexure

Details of State-wise Capacity under installation for Cellular Services

S.No	STATE	CAPACITY UNDER INSTALLATION
1	Andaman & Nicobar	20000
2	Andhra Pradesh	963000
3	Assam	250000
4	Bihar	455000
5	Chhattisgarh	150000#
6	Gujarat	1050000#
7	Haryana	528000
8	Himachal Pradesh	221000
9	Jammu & Kashmir	280000
10	Jharkhand	250000
11	Karnataka	802354
12	Kerala	950000
13	Madhya Pradesh	450000#
14	Maharashtra inclue Goa	1350000#
15	North East -I (Meghalaya, Mizoram, Tripura)	100000
16	North East - II (Manipur, Nagaland, Arunchal Pradesh)	100000
17	Orissa	500000
18	Punjab	900000
19	Rajasthan	850000
20	Tamil Nadu	1284800
21	Utter Pradesh	1220000
22	Uttaranchal	201500
23	West Bengal incl Sikkim	1325000
	ALL INDIA	14200654

Equipment being ordered