

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

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ALLOTMENT OF STD ISD PCO BOOTHS .
Jagannath Dr. M.

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has recently framed a new policy for allotment of STD/ISD/PCO booths at Railway platforms; and
- (b) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Sir, whereas there is no change in the policy of provisioning of telephone lines for STD/ISD PCOs by the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL), the two telecom P.S.Us under Department of Telecommunications (DoT), the Ministry of Railways has only rationalized their earlier guidelines dated 22-04-2002 on 14-05-2004 for fresh allotment of STD/ISD/PCO/FAX booths at Railway Stations.

A copy of the guidelines issued by Railway Board vide No.2001/TG.IV/10/PCO/Policy dated.22-04-2002 and 14-05-2004 are given in the Annexure.