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Title: Need to establish a new BSNL Telephone District in Palghar, Maharashtra.

SHRI CHINTAMAN NAVASHA WANGA (PALGHAR): Consequent upon the division of Thane district of Maharashtra a new district of Palghar was established on 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2014, but the district BSNL Telephone office continues to be at Kalyan.

The population of new Palghar District is more than 25 lakhs. Places like Vasai-Virar Municipal Corporation, Palghat, Dahand, Jawhar are under Palghar District. Boisar city is a big industrial estate and Tarapur Atomic Power Station is coming in the new District. Due to rapid increase in population, suburban trains are running from Churchgate-Mumbai to Dahahu Road Station. Presently, there are about 1,50,000 BSNL landline telephone connections and more than two lakh mobile connections are coming under the Palghar District. So, there is a necessity of a new telephone district for Palghar. I, therefore, request the Government to establish a new BSNL telephone district for Palghar revenue district.

HON. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Dr. Manoj Rajoria – not present.

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