

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1029  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH, 2016**

**NEW TELECOM DISTRICT**

1029. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:  
SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal to open new Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) Telephone District in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the proposal to open new BSNL Telephone District in the State of Odisha has been received by the Government; and
- (d) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)**

(a) to (d) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has received proposals for opening of new Telephone Districts during the last five years in the following states:

State	Proposed new Telephone District
<b>Bihar</b>	Arwal, Jahanabad & Sitmarhi
<b>Gujarat</b>	Porbander & Patan
<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	Jashpur
<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	Tirupur
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Karauli
<b>Maharashtra</b>	Palghar

Proposals were examined by BSNL and it was found not feasible to create new telephone districts based on its techno-economical considerations.

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