

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF VILLAGE PUBLIC TELEPHONES VPTs

The scope of this scheme aimed at providing USO subsidy for the operation and maintenance of all the existing VPTs by the Universal Service Provider (USP). The validity of Agreement was 7 years from the effective date (28.3.2003). The subsidy under the Agreement was payable from the date of operation and maintenance of VPTs or 1.4.2002, whichever was later, till the duration of the Agreement. VPTs on Multi Access Radio Relay (MARR) technology, on their replacement were not eligible for subsidy under this Agreement.

A total number of 17899 VPTs in Tamil Nadu and 194 in A&N Islands were covered under the scheme. M/s. BSNL is the USP under this agreement.

TAMIL NADU SERVICE AREA

The SSA-wise no of VPTs, alongwith the technology and technology-wise **representative rate** for subsidy disbursement for the Tamil Nadu is as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of SSA	Total No. of VPTs	Technology	Representative rate per VPT per annum (in Rs.)
1	Coimbatore	488	Landline	2000
2	Cuddalore	724	Landline	1700
		1109	MARR	4300
		4	CDOT-PMP	3600
		275	WLL	4100
		3	INMARSAT	46300
3	Dharmapuri	836	Landline	1900
		322	MARR	4400
		11	INMARSAT	46200
4	Erode	498	Landline	1700
		31	MARR	4300
		2	INMARSAT	46300
5	Kancheepuram	366	Landline	1600
		278	MARR	4200
6	Karaikudi	518	Landline	1700
		671	MARR	4300
7	Madurai	918	Landline	1600
		283	MARR	4100
		2	INMARSAT	46200
8	Nagercoil	183	Landline	1700
9	Coonoor	51	Landline	1700
		4	MARR	4300

10	Pondicherry	253	Landline	1700
		13	MARR	4300
11	Salem	1035	Landline	1800
		68	MARR	4300
12	Thanjavur	1552	Landline	1400
		346	MARR	4000
13	Tirunelveli	533	Landline	1500
		57	MARR	4100
14	Trichy	841	Landline	1800
		285	MARR	4400
		1	CDOT-PMP	3700
		12	WLL	4100
15	Tuticorin	798	Landline	1500
		523	MARR	4100
16	Vellore	1419	Landline	1900
		596	MARR	4400
		17	INMARSAT	46200
17	Virudhunagar	390	Landline	1700
		261	MARR	4300
18	Chennai	482	Landline	1700
		603	MARR	4300
Total		17662	--	--

ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS SERVICE AREA

The SSA-wise no of VPTs, alongwith the technology and technology-wise representative rate for subsidy disbursement for the A&N Islands is as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of SSA	Total No. of VPTs	Technology	Representative rate per VPT per annum (in Rs.)
1	Portblair	141	Landline	4100
		53	MARR	6700
Total		194	--	--