

Cheaper services, posts upgradation high on Scindia's agenda

Providing cheaper communication facilities, upgrading the ailing postal system and taking India to the next level of development in IT are high on new Minister of State for Communications and IT Jyotiraditya Scindia's agenda.

'We have to ensure that the common man gets a product with the best quality and price. There exists a lot of asymmetry in communications today which we have to remove and involve every man in this revolution,' said the minister who took charge here Wednesday.

'In IT, India should now look beyond being the back-office of the world. There should not be any reason why semiconductor fabrication units cannot be set up in India,' he added.

'Another area that needs to be upgraded is the Department of Posts, which is present in every corner of the country. It must become our window to the world.'

Son of Madhavrao Scindia, a charismatic leader and seasoned politician who died in a plane crash in September 2001, Jyotiraditya Scindia was first elected to the Lok Sabha from his father's old constituency Guna in Madhya Pradesh in February 2002.

The 37-year-old was Sunday inducted into the council of ministers as minister of state for IT and Communications replacing Shakeel Ahmed.

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