

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

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WASTEFUL EXPENDITURE
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Expenditure Reforms Commission has been set up under his Ministry for reducing the existing wasteful expenditure of his Ministry and departments under his Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details of its composition;
- (c) the details of recommendations made by this commission so far;
- (d) the details of those recommendations which are implemented and yet to be implemented by his Ministry or departments under his Ministry alongwith reasons for not implementing them till date; and
- (e) the time by which these are likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

- (a) Expenditure Reforms Commissions are set up by the Ministry of Finance. Thus, the Ministry of Communications has not set up such a body. The Ministry of Finance monitors the expenditure of the Department of Posts regularly. The operations of the Department of Telecom have been handed over to a Public Sector Company, the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)
- (b) to (e) Do not arise in view of (a) above.