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CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TELEMATICS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Centre for Development of Telematics (CDoT) is heading for trouble as its mainstay customer Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited has been forced to review its procurement policy in the face of continuous slippage`s in technology upgradation and new product development;
- (b) if so, whether the representatives of these companies are now running scared over a possible reduction in next year`s orders from BSNL; and
- (c) if so, the steps being taken by the DoT in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) No, Sir.

(b) & (c): Government is not aware of any scare amongst the companies. However Centre for Development of Telematics (CDOT) has been asked to expedite its technology upgradation programmes and the progress is being monitored closely.