

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

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MTNL TRUMP PRE-PAID MOBILE SERVICE

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

- (a) whether the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited has launched a Trump pre-paid mobile services from January 15, 2002 in Delhi and Mumbai;
- (b) if so, whether its lower tariff set by MTNL has been welcomed by public in both Delhi and Mumbai;
- (c) whether this has forced the private companies to reduce the tariff;
- (d) the extent to which the MTNL has achieved success in this regard;
- (e) whether there is any proposal to reduce the monthly rent and the pulse rate from three minutes to two minutes; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

- (a) MTNL has launched its `Trump` pre-paid mobile service from 14th January, 2002 in Delhi and Mumbai.
- (b): Yes, Sir.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) The `Trump` pre-paid service of MTNL, has so far raised a customer base of 17000 in Delhi and 10096 in Mumbai since its launch on 14th January, 2002.
- (e) No, Sir.
- (f) Does not arise in view of (e) above.