

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

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NEW NATIONAL TELECOM POLICY

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

- (a) whether the Government have a proposal to formulate a new National Telecom Policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the areas in which emphasis has been laid in the proposed new Telecom Policy; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to compete with private sector in telecom sector?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(SHRIMATI S MAHAJAN)

(a) No, Sir.

(b)&(c): Do not arise in view of (a) above.

(d) Public Sector Undertakings providing telecom services have taken various steps such as improving quality of service, introduction of new services and offering competitive tariffs, so as to effectively compete with private sector telecom service providers.