

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

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REDUCTION OF TELEPHONE TARIFF
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India propose to reduce tariff of telephones;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken in this direction so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a), (b) & (c) :

The Telecommunication Tariff Order, 1999 had stipulated a general review of the effect of the 1st tranche of the rebalancing exercise, on revenues/traffic. The TRAI Secretariat has accordingly started collecting the data from operators with a view to conduct the review. A final view will be taken by the reconstituted Authority in due course.