

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

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MANUFACTURE OF MOBILE TELEPHONES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the units of Indian Telephone Industry (ITI) manufacturing mobile telephones;
- (b) the present capacity of these units;
- (c) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to produce mobile telephones at cheaper rates; and
- (d) is so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) ITI does not manufacture Mobile telephones.

(c) & (d) Yes, Sir. In order to reduce manufacturing cost of mobile phones, all the inputs required have been exempted from custom duty. Excise duty has also been exempted by Government.