

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

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TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS AT HOMES OF ARMY PERSONNEL  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to give priority for providing telephone connections at the homes of army personnel posted at the border;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Sir, in Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL), Army Personnel are allowed to register their application for a telephone connection under priority category, i.e. Non-Own Your Telephone (Non-OYT) Special category, provided they do not have any telephone working in their name. In Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL), telephone connections to all categories of persons including army personnel are available on demand.

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