GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1266 ANSWERED ON:30.11.2005 TELECOM PROVIDERS Aaron Rashid Shri J.M.

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

- (a) the names of telecom providers currently operational in India;
- (b) whether some operators have foreign equity investments;
- (c) if so, the details in this regard;
- (d) whether some operators have 100% Indian equity; and
- (e) if so, the details of equity including their names?

Answer

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

- (a) A list of major telecom service providers is given in the Annexure.
- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) to (e): According to the new FDI policy, the indirect FDI is also to be counted towards the Foreign Equity in the service provider. This information is not readily available. It is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

ANNEXURE

LIST OF MAJOR TELECOM SERVICE PROVIDERS

- 1. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited
- 2. Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited
- 3. Bharti Cellular Limited
- 4. Hutchison Max Telecom Ltd.
- 5. Idea Cellular Ltd.
- 6. Aircel Digilink India Limited
- 7 Aircel Limited
- 8. BPL Cellular Limited
- 9. Spice Communications Limited
- 10. Reliance Telecom Limited
- 11. Hutchison Essar South Limited
- 12. Hutchison Essar East Limited
- 13. BPL Mobile Cellular Limited 14. Bharti Mobile Limited
- 15. Bharti Tele-Venture Limited
- 16. Reliance Infocomm Limited
- 17. Tata Teleservices Limited
- 18. Tata Teleservices (Maharashtra) Limited
- 19. HFCL Infotel Limited
- 20. Bharti Infotel Limited
- 21. Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited
- 22. Hughes Escorts Communications Limited
- 23. Sify Limited
- 24. Estel Communications Private Limited
- 25. Directed Internet Limited
- 26. Comsat Max Limited
- 27. Primus Telecommunications India Ltd.
- 28. HCL Infinet Limited
- 29. 121 Enterprise Limited
- 30. Pacific Internet India Pvt. Ltd.
- 31. Software Technology Parks Of India
- 32. Dishnet Wireless Ltd.
- 33. Data Infosys Limited
- 34. Hathway Cable & Datacom Pvt. Ltd.

35. In2cable(India) Ltd.