## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

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SHARING OF INFRASTRUCTURE BY PRIVATE TELECOM OPERATORS
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## Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposals to allow sharing of infrastructure, buildings and accommodation of the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited by the private telecom operators;
- (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) Sharing of infrastructure is a commercial decision of BSNL & MTNL Government does not intervene on this subject.
- (b) & (c) BSNL has been sharing the infrastructure with private telecom operators, wherever possible, to provide interconnection.