

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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WLL TOWERS IN MAHARASHTRA
Narhire Smt. Kalpana Ramesh

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposals from the Government of Maharashtra to install WLL towers in the Usmanabad district of the State;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the details of the arrangements/plants made by the Government to expand its telecom service and to cater to the WLL related needs of the deprived areas?

Answer

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

(a) BSNL has not received any proposal from Government of Maharashtra so far. However, BSNL has provided CDMA/ CORDECT WLL services in all the Six SDCAs of Usmanabad SSA as per Annexure which covers all the 8 talukas of the district. There are plans to provide WLL service at 3 more places as per annexure in the district.

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

(c) The WLL services are available in 185 SDCAs out of 304 SDCAs in Maharashtra. There is plan to provide WLL services in the remaining 119 SDCAs during the year 2004-05. This will take care of the Telecom needs of the most of the deprived areas of Maharashtra.

ANNEXURE

Existing WLL Services in Usmanabad District

S.No.	Name of SDCA
1	Bhoom
2	Kallam
3	Umerga
4	Usmanabad
5	Paranda
6	Tuljapur

Plans for WLL Services in the year 2004-05

S.No.	Name of Place
1	Dahipal
2	Ternanagar
3	Jewali