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

- (a) whether network of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (Cell One) do not work in the State of Jharkhand especially in Palamu division;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any request has been received for setting up of BSNL tower in those regions;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Sir, at few locations viz. Manjhiaon, Sultani, Panki, Patan, Lesligunj and Mahuadand in Daltongunj Secondary Switching Area (SSA) where Base Transceiver Stations (BTS) were installed in first phase, there are intermittent problems which demand frequent repairs. BSNL has initiated action for replacement of mobile equipment at these places during the current financial year with equipment having enhanced capacity and features.

(c) to (e) Requests have been received for installation of Cellphone Towers (BTS) at Meral and Karkata in Daltongunj SSA. BSNL decides rollout of GSM based mobile network inter-alia, based on techno-commercial viability and presently out of the said two locations, only Meral has been included in the GSM based mobile Network augmentation plan.