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

(a) whether the Telecom Engineering Centre(TEC) constituted for allotment of spectrum has taken itself out from spectrum allotment;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has framed any policy to ensure fair and transparent allotment of spectrum; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

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

(a) & (b) The spectrum allotment for all wireless users in the country is carried out by Wireless Planning & Coordination (WPC) Wing of Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications & IT, as the national nodal spectrum management agency. Hence, the question of Telecom Engineering Centre (TEC) taking itself out from spectrum allotment, does not arise.

(c) & (d) The initial spectrum for public mobile telecom services is allotted in accordance with the provisions of the telecom service license agreement. The criteria for allotment of additional spectrum are framed taking into account various related aspects, including studies carried out by TEC.