

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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FREE TELEPHONE CALLS TO SULABH PHONE CUSTOMERS

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning fifty free telephone calls per month to Sulabh Phone Customers;
- (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) No, sir.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) The Sulabh Scheme of BSNL is meant mainly for customers who receive more incoming calls and as such they pay lower rentals and outgoing call facility is optional. As such, no free calls can be allowed on this scheme.