

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

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SHORTAGE OF RECHARGE COUPONS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the recharge coupons of various Telecom Companies including Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited (VSNL) are not available in the country including Delhi and Mumbai region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and company-wise and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT)

(a) Madam, Tata Communications Limited, the erstwhile Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited, is a private company which is not engaged in providing mobile services. However, the recharge coupons of both the Public Sector Undertakings, BSNL and MTNL, are available in the country including Delhi and Mumbai region.

(b) & (c) Do not arise in view of (a) above.