

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
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EXPORT OF TELECOM EQUIPMENT  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the production of telecommunication equipment in the country during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the value of the said equipment exported during the said period and the revenue earned by the Government therefrom;
- (c) the value of the equipment imported by the Government during the said period;
- (d) whether the domestic companies are not in a position to meet the domestic demand necessitating imports; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) Production of telecom equipment during the last three years are as under:

Period    Production  
(In Rs. Crore)

2007-08    41,270

2008-09    48,800

2009-10    53,700  
(estimated)

This data is not maintained State-wise.

(b) On export of equipment, the Government does not get revenue directly. However, these units provide employment, achieve economy of scale and earn precious foreign exchange for the country. The Government also gets revenue from different taxes levied on such units. The value of the telecom equipment exported during last three years are as under:

Period    Export  
(In Rs. Crore)

2007-08    8,131

2008-09    13,273

2009-10    8,194  
(upto Nov., 09)

(c) The telecom services are being provided by state owned units and private operators and as such Government has not imported

any telecom equipment during the last three years. However, the import of telecom equipments into the country during last three years are as under:

Period Import  
(In Rs. Crore)

2007-08 35,215

2008-09 46,158

2009-10 28,691  
(upto Nov., 09)

(d) & (e) Telecom Industry requires variety of state of the art telecom equipment, all of which are not being manufactured in the country. To meet the demand, the required telecom equipments are being imported.