GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3691 ANSWERED ON:19.04.2010 BUILDINGS FOR TELEPHONE EXCHANGES Singh Shri Bhupendra

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to acquire land for the construction of buildings for telephone exchanges in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of telephone exchanges constructed and installed in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the funds allocated, released and incurred in this regard during the said period; and

(d) the time by which the pending telephone exchanges are likely to be completed?

Answer

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

(a): Madam, BSNL and MTNL acquire land for the construction of buildings for telephone exchanges in the country as per the market requirement.

(b) to (d): The current financial year has just commenced and hence the information in respect of the financial year 2009-10 and last three years 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09 is given below.

The details of telephone exchange buildings constructed by BSNL in the country during the financial years 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09 and the financial year 2009-10, State-wise are as per column no.(iii) & (iv) respectively of Annexure I. The details of funds allocated, released and incurred by BSNL in this regard during the said period is as per column no.(v) to (x) of Annexure I. The details of the status of the pending construction works and the time by which it is likely to be completed are as per column no. (xi) & (xii) of Annexure I.

MTNL in Delhi has applied to Delhi Development Authority (DDA) for acquiring one land / plot in Rohini Sector 28. In MTNL Murnbai, there is a proposal to acquire a single plot reserved for MTNL in Mira Road, Bhayandar Municipal Corporation Development Plan for construction of Telephone Exchanges on Survey No.I51/2(Pt), 151/3 (Pt.) and 152(Pt.) at Navghar, Taluka Bhayandar, Distt. Thane measuring 3250 sqmt. Details of funds allocated, released and incurred in this regard in respect of MTNL during the said period is given at Annexure II. Details of the status of the pending construction works and details of time by which the pending construction work is likely to be completed in respect of MTNL is given in Annexure II.