GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3747 ANSWERED ON:19.04.2010 SETTING UP OF MOBILE TOWERS Bali Ram Dr. ;Joshi Shri Mahesh;Kashyap Shri Virender;Maharaj Shri Satpal;Mahendrasinh Shri Chauhan ;Pratap Narayanrao Shri Sonawane;Thakur Shri Anurag Singh

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

(a) the total number of Landline/Mobile telephone subscribers of Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) and Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) in the country, State-wise,

(b) the number of applications seeking Telephone/Mobile connections from MTNL/BSNL lying pending in the country, as on date, State-wise;

(c) the time by which the said connections are likely to be provided in the country;

(d) the details of the mobile towers installed/likely to be installed by the MTNL/BSNL in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(e) the number of towers out of them made operational; and

(f) the time by which the remaining towers are likely to be made operational in the country?

Answer

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

(a): State-wise total number of landline/Mobile telephone` subscribers of Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) and Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) in the country are given in Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): In MTNL telephones are available on demand and in BSNL waiting list of landline as on 31-03-2010 is given in Annexure-I. Waiting list of landline subscribers is being cleared progressively, as the landline telephone connections are being provided all over the country depending upon geographical and techno commercial feasibility/viability.

(d) & (e): State-wise detail of the mobile towers installed and operational by MTNL/BSNL in the country during the last three years and the current year is given in Annexure-II.

(f): Does not arise in view of (d) & (e).