

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

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USE OF GENERATOR FOR MOBILE TOWERS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has examined the generators used for mobile towers to improve the quality of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) mobile services in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the mobile towers in rural areas usually do not work due to non-working of generators;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of complaints received during the last three years and the current year; and
- (e) 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 SACHIN PILOT)

- (a) & (b) Procurement done by Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is as per applicable standard norms and specifications of Diesel Generator set viz. Central Pollution Control Board Norms etc. The same is being tested by Inspection Circle of BSNL for acceptance. BSNL is servicing the Generators used for mobile towers regularly on quarterly basis or after 250 hours run of Diesel Generator Set whichever is earlier to improve the quality of BSNL mobile services in the country.
- (c) No, Madam. BSNL towers are having Battery backup of sufficient capacity to maintain power supply to Base Transceiver Station (BTS). Further Diesel Generators are also provided which are checked regularly and operated by concerned staff at the time of power failure. Also faulty generators are repaired and replaced time to time as and when required.
- (d) & (e) Do not arise in view of (c) above.