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LOK SABHA**

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GROWTH IN TELECOM SECTOR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal that the telecom regulator's recommendations would harm the telecom sector's growth in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT)

(a) & (b) Madam, on 11th May, 2010, the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has submitted its Recommendations on "Spectrum Management and Licensing Framework" to the Government. Thereafter, the Government had an interaction with the telecom access service providers on 07.07.2010 and another interaction on 14.07.2010 with the National Long Distance (NLD)/International Long Distance (ILD) Service Providers, Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and Infrastructure Providers (IP-I) on the recent developments in the telecom sector including the said recommendations of TRAI, where the participants expressed their views on the said recommendations of TRAI. Moreover, on 18.05.2010, the TRAI has further informed the Government to await certain further recommendations related to spectrum pricing and reframing.