

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

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TEN DIGIT TELEPHONE NUMBERS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to change Landline Telephone Numbers from the existing Eight digit to Ten digit Telephone Numbers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be introduced?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Madam, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India has released Recommendations titled "Efficient Utilization of Numbering Resources" on dated 20th August, 2010. One of the proposals in these recommendations is to have uniform Ten Digits Telephone Numbers for Landline Telephones. However, Government has no proposal as yet to change Landline Telephone Numbers from the existing Six-to-Eight digits to Ten digits in the country.