

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up a centralized surveillance and interception system across communication platforms to address national security concerns;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which it is likely to be beneficial; and
- (c) the other steps taken to address national security concern in the country?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The Centralised Monitoring System (CMS) is proposed to be set up for Lawful Interception and Monitoring of communications to address the national security concerns. It will automise the present manual system of interception and monitoring, which will enhance the secrecy of intercepted numbers and will cut down the delay in provisioning.

(c)

(i) The Licence Terms and Conditions of all the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) have been amended to take care of known security concerns.

(ii) A report for enhancing the Manufacturing and R & D of Telecom equipments indigenously also has been submitted.