

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

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NATIONAL SPECTRUM POLICY  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has worked out a National Spectrum Policy to maximise net benefits;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ;
- (c) whether Department of Telecom (DoT) has also sought funds for optic fibre communication network for the forces in lieu of spectrum vacation by them;
- (d) if so, the details and the present status thereof alongwith the benefits likely to accrue therefrom ; and
- (e) the total revenue likely to be generated?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) No, Sir. However, Government has recently released National Frequency Allocation Plan-2008 a policy document which provides information / guidelines to wireless users, manufacturers and developers relating to utilization of spectrum for variety of Radiocommunication services. The National Frequency Allocation Plan is reviewed periodically in line with Radio Regulations of International Telecommunications Union (ITU).

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) & (e) A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been signed between Department of Telecommunications (DOT) and Ministry of Defence. As per this MoU, DOT shall provide an alternate optical communication network for forces at cost of Rs. 9970 crores approximately in lieu of spectrum vacation for 2G and 3G services. The Government is considering various aspects relating to auction of 3G spectrum. Since auction is yet to commence, the total revenue to be generated can not be estimated.