

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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UPGRADATION OF TELECOM INFRASTRUCTURE
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Mahanagar Telephonbe Nigam Limited (MTNL) has been assigned for providing telecom services during the Commonwealth Games, 2010;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the special telecom facilities MTNL proposes to provide to the athletes, officials and visitors during the games; and
- (d) the total investment likely to be made to upgrade the infrastructure?

Answer

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

(a) Sir, MTNL has received a proposal from Organizing Committee of Commonwealth Games for providing telecom services during the Commonwealth Games 2010. The proposal is under consideration.

(b) & (c) Under the Scope of Work in the proposal, MTNL has to set up an exclusive and dedicated network for use by the athletes, officials and visitors during the Commonwealth Games 2010. The special telecom facilities to be provided includes:

All voice and data services for the games

Telephone Services

Communication facilities to media.

Broadband services at all venues.

Backhaul of video signals for broadcasting from all venues to the site of the host broadcaster(PRASAR BHARTI).

(d) As per the requirement of telecom services contained in the proposal, the total investment likely to be made to upgrade the existing infrastructure and create additional infrastructure is approximately Rs.408 crores.