GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3619 ANSWERED ON:24.08.2011 NODAL VENDOR FOR MOBILE COMPANIES Choudhry Smt. Shruti;Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

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

- (a) whether the Government has asked the foreign telecom vendors to share hardware and software codes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response received by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up a nodal vendor for mobile companies;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the various stakeholders in this regard;
- (e) the present status of the proposal; and
- (f) the benefits likely to be accrued as a result thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI MILIND DEORA)

- (a) No, madam. As per latest instructions on telecom equipment and network security, there is no requirement for the foreign telecom vendors to share hardware and software codes.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) to (f) Do not arise in view of (c) above.