GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:393 ANSWERED ON:14.03.2012 REVENUE FROM TELECOM SECTOR Choudhary Shri Harish;Sinh Dr. Sanjay

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

- (a) whether telecommunication sector has the potential of becoming the second highest source of revenue in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the revenue share of telecom sector in the Gross Domestic Product; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government to exploit the potential of the sector and the outcome thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) As per the Central Statistical Organization (CSO) Report, the contribution of the telecom sector in the Gross Domestic Product was 3.6% in the year 2009-10.
- (c) The Government has introduced various policy measures which have resulted in an increase in the teledensity from 3.6% in March, 2001 to 70.89% in March, 2011. The contribution of the telecom sector to Gross Domestic Product has grown from 1.9% in 2000-01 to 3.6% in 2009-10.