GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1726 ANSWERED ON:22.08.2012 CLONING OF SIM CARDS Nagorao Shri Dudhgaonkar Ganeshrao

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

(a) whether the mobile subscribers in the country are facing threat of SIM card cloning;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether SIM card cloning is possible with the help of a single missed call; and if so, the technical security measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Licence Service Area wise details of number of cases reported so far regarding SIM cloning is as below:

S.No Licence Service Area Number of cases reported regarding SIM cloning so far

1 Gujarat 1 2 Delhi 18547

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- Karnataka 16 4 Mumbai 11
- 5 Punjab 1738

(e) No such incidence has been reported so far.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.