GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1609 ANSWERED ON:14.08.2013 ALLOTMENT OF SPECTRUM Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

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

(a) whether the Government is considering allocation of some of the spectrum through allotment route instead of auction;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the present status of the proposal?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c) A Committee has been constituted in Department of Telecom to examine various issues related to allotment and pricing of spectrum, including conditions which need to be satisfied in order to adopt auction as the preferred/sole mode of allotment of spectrum, conditions and types of spectrum for which administrative allotment of spectrum should be adopted as the norm, etc. Report of the Committee is awaited.