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COMMUNICATION NETWORK DURING EMERGENCIES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether telephone and mobile network usually crash during natural calamities, terrorist attacks and bomb blasts;

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

(c) the other communication system introduced/likely to be introduced in such situations?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Madam, sometimes a part of the telecom network becomes non-operational when critical components of the network are damaged/affected due to man-made or natural calamities. In such situations satellite based communication is used till normal telecom services are restored.