

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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PUBLICATION OF TELEPHONE DIRECTORY
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether landline telephone directories have not been published and released in several States for a long time;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure publication and issuance of telephone directories and corrigenda thereto in time?

Answer

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

(a) Yes Madam.

(b)&(c) Circle-wise details indicating year of printing of telephone directories (Main/ Supplementary) of BSNL & MTNL are given in Annexure.

W.e.f. 22.6.2011, BSNL has taken a decision to publish directories on its website only and to stop printing of telephone directories. Directory information of BSNL landline services are available through 197-Non metered directory service and via Internet on BSNL websites. Directory information of MTNL landline services are also available through 197-Non metered directory service and via Internet on MTNL websites.