GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether telecom PSUs plan to increase 3G mobile internet speed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether MTNL is investing Rs. 400 crore to increase 3G speed about 6-fold; and
- (d) if so, the details and the present status thereof alongwith the amount spent in this regard so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. (SMT.) KILLI KRUPARANI)

- (a)& (b) Yes Madam. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL)are planning to upgrade their network to provide very high speed mobile internet services with download speed upto 42.2 mbps and 21.1 Mbps respectively.
- (c) & (d) MTNL's investment is not only for increasing 3G speed but also to meet other network requirements to improve coverage & services. Tenders have been invited and till date no amount has been spent on the said project.