

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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COMMERCIALISING OF SURPLUS LAND
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government any proposal to generate revenue by commercialising the surplus land available with Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total area of this surplus land indicating their market value?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT)

(a) & (b) Sir, BSNL and MTNL have started taking action to create new business verticals like sharing of infrastructure with other operators from which it can earn more revenue and converting its underutilized assets by developing them to more productive assets.