

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

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ROAMING SERVICES

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

- (a) whether the Government has decided to declare Delhi and some cities falling in NCR as roaming free area in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to declare roaming services free of charges in all the cities in NCR provided by public and private sector telecom companies;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has also any proposal to provide local call facility between Delhi and Agra; and
- (f) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Telecom Regulatory Authority of India has prescribed ceilings for roaming charges. Service providers are at liberty to offer tariff plans, including zero roaming charges, to their subscribers according to the prevailing market conditions.
- (e) No, Madam. At present there is no such proposal.
- (f) Does not arise in view of (e) above.