

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:215
ANSWERED ON:24.11.2014
AUCTION OF SPECTRUM
Venugopal Dr. Ponnusamy

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes the auction of 4G spectrum in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has sought the recommendations on the reserve price of both 3G as well as 4G from the regulator in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) & (b) The auction of spectrum in 800 MHz, 900 MHz and 1800 MHz bands is planned in the current financial year.

(c) to (e) The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has provided its recommendations on reserve price for auction of spectrum in 800 MHz, 900 MHz and 1800 MHz bands. These recommendations are under consideration. Government has also requested TRAI to provide recommendations on reserve price of 2100 MHz, 2300 MHz and 2500 MHz bands.