

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

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SHORTAGE OF SPECTRUM

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

- (a) whether the telecom players have blamed shortage of spectrum for the poor mobile connectivity and call drops;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the situation?

Answer

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

- (a) The representations have been received from the telecom service providers regarding shortage of spectrum.
- (b) and (c) The total quantum of 470.75 MHz spectrum in different frequency bands, namely 800 MHz, 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2100 MHz has been put for auction in March 2015.