GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5535 ANSWERED ON:28.04.2015 MOBILE RADIATION Vanaroja Smt. R.

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any study on mobile radiation and its harmful effects, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering to formulate a policy on installation of mobile towers in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) The Ministry of Environment and Forests had constituted an 'Expert Committee to study the possible impacts of communication towers on wildlife including Birds and Bees' on 30th August 2010 under the chairmanship of Dr. Asad Rahmani, Director, Bombay Natural History Society. As per the report of the Expert Committee, there are indications that the Electromagnetic Radiations can affect biological systems of animals, birds and insects. Accordingly, the Ministry has issued an advisory in this context to concerned organizations like Department of Telecommunications; State/Union Territory Governments; Ministry of Panchayati Raj for their information and requisite action.

(b) and (c) Presently, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is not contemplating any policy on installation of mobile towers in the country in context of impact on wildlife.