

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SETTING UP OF MOBILE TOWERS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of cases of mobile services are reportedly going dysfunctional due to mobile towers getting destroyed in the incidents of violence and explosions taking place in naxal areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to restore the mobile services in an effective manner in view of the damage caused to the mobile towers in the naxal affected areas;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the extent to which success has been achieved as a result thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) 42 numbers of mobile towers were affected in the incidence of violence and explosions taking place in naxal areas of the country.
- (b) The details are enclosed as Annexure-I.
- (c) The various operators take steps for restoring the damaged towers as a part of routine maintenance activity.
- (d) & (e) Do not arise in view of (c) above.