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INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS TO TELECOM SECTOR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to grant infrastructure status to Telecom Sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Vide Notification dated 1st April 2013, the Government has already granted infrastructure status to (i) telecommunication (fixed network), which includes optical fibre, wire and cable networks, (ii) telecommunication towers and (iii) telecommunication services by including them in the Harmonized Master List of Infrastructure Sub-sectors.