GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1479 ANSWERED ON:21.07.2014 AUCTION OF SPECTRUM Dhruvanarayana Shri Rangaswamy

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

- (a) whether the third round of 2G spectrum auction has been completed in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total revenue likely to be generated from the auction?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) The auction of spectrum in 900 Megahertz (MHz) and 1800 MHz bands as liberalised spectrum was conducted during February, 2014. Bids were invited in 22 Service Areas in 1800 MHz band and in 3 Service Areas in 900 MHz band. Bids were received in all these service areas. Out of 385.2 MHz spectrum put for auction, 307.2 MHz was sold in 1800 MHz band. A total of 46 MHz spectrum was put for auction in 900 MHz band in Delhi, Mumbai and Kolkata service areas. All the spectrum put for auction in 900 MHz band was sold out.
- (c) The total revenue generated in the auction held in February, 2014 was Rs.61,162.22 crores and upfront amount of Rs.18267.18 crores was received