

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS  
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 232  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023**

**RELIEF PACKAGE TO BSNL**

**232 Shri M. Shanmugam:**

**Shri Vaiko:**

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has recently infused relief package in BSNL to save it from financial crisis;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any target has been fixed for BSNL to increase the mobile subscriber base;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of facilities being provided to BSNL to compete in the market and to upgrade its technology, to make it in level playing field?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS  
(SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)**

- (a) and (b) The Government on 27.07.2022 has approved revival package for BSNL amounting to Rs. 1.64 lakhs crores. The revival measures focus on infusing fresh capital for upgrading BSNL services, allocating spectrum, de-stressing its balance sheet, augmenting its fibre network by merging Bharat Broadband Nigam Limited (BBNL) with BSNL.
- (c) and (d) The target for gross mobile subscriber addition and achievement for Financial Year 2021-22 and 2022-23 are as under:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Target (Nos.) (In Crores)</b>	<b>Achievement (Nos.) (In Crores)</b>
2021-22	2.23	1.66
2022-23	1.83	0.99 (up to 31.12.2022)

- (e) 4G Spectrum to BSNL has already been approved by the Government as a part of its revival Package on 23.10.2019. Department of Telecommunications vide its letter dated 27.10.2022 has done re-assignment / fresh assignment of spectrum to BSNL in the 900 MHz band in view of the Cabinet decision on 27.07.2022. With the implementation of approved revival measures by the Government, BSNL is expected to turn-around with net profit in Financial Year 2026-27.

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