GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 495 ANSWERED ON 24TH JULY, 2025

MONETISATION STRATEGY AND FINANCIAL STATUS OF BSNL

495 SMT. RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has revised monetisation targets for Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL), if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total value of BSNL assets monetised since 2020, including the breakup between core assets such as towers and fibre and non-core assets such as land and buildings;
- (c) the reasons for repeated delays and underperformance in BSNL's asset monetisation targets;
- (d) the current financial position of BSNL, including net loss in the last five years, quarter wise; and
- (e) the steps being taken by Government to reduce debt and improve financial health of BSNL?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. PEMMASANI CHANDRA SEKHAR)

(a) Yes. The monetization targets originally given in 2019 were revised in 2022 by the Union Cabinet which are as under:

		Target		
	FY	(in Rs. Crore)		
1	2022-23	400		
2	2023-24	600		
3	2024-25	800		
4	2025-26	900		
5	2026-27	1000		
6	2027-28	1000		
7	2028-29	1000		
8	2029-30	1000		
9	2030-31	1000		
10	2031-32	1000		
11	2032-33	1000		
12	2033-34	1000		
13	2034-35	1000		
	Total	11700		

(b) The monetization proceeds from 2020 onwards in respect of core and non-core assets are as follows:

The revenue generated in respect of Core-Assets (such as Tower and Fibre) is given below:-			
Details of Total billing in respect of BSNL Towers and Fibre			

Amount in Cr. Tower Net Pass Through Energy Revenue (Infra Year Fiber **Total** Charges & Misc.Charges **Provisioning** Fees/IPF) 2019-20 299.54 346.61 1307.40 661.25 392.49 377.76 621.57 1391.82 2020-21 1450.88 2021-22 400.46 407.35 643.07 2022-23 388.49 387.10 637.19 1412.78 2023-24 422.24 382.73 673.07 1478.04 2024-25 417.74 404.41 698.68 1520.83 2305.97 **TOTAL** 2320.96 3934.82 8561.75

Type of Assets	Revenue generated (Rs. in crore)
Non-core assets(such as land and buildings) from 2020 to March 2025	2730.12

(c) BSNL has successfully achieved the assigned monetization targets for FY 2023–24 and FY2024–25. However, there are certain challenges in monetization like getting land use changed, removal of reservations and designations, property mutation and other statutory clearances.

(d) The current Financial Position of BSNL, including net loss in the last five years, quarterwise:

Quarter wise Net Profit/Loss									
(Figures in Crore)									
Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total				
2020-21	(906)	(2,700)	(1,888)	(1,947)	(7441)				
2021-22	(1,560)	(1,898)	(1,966)	(1,557)	(6881)				
2022-23	(1,556)	(2,033)	(1,868)	(2,704)	(8161)				
2023-24	(1,470)	(1,481)	(1,569)	(851)	(5371)				
2024-25	(1,544)	(1,245)	262	280	(2247)				

(e) Revival packages have been approved by the Government in 2019, 2022 and 2023 to reduce debt and improve financial health of BSNL.
