

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1367
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD NOVEMBER, 2016**

FREE VOICE CALLING BY BSNL

1367. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether BSNL plans free voice calling on its network and introduce tariff plans that will be cheaper than any other operators;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the average revenue of BSNL is likely to be hit as a result thereof;
and
- (d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken up by BSNL to cover the above risk factors?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS &
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

(a) & (b) At present, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) does not have any free voice calling plan for all voice calls for its Wireline and Wireless network. BSNL only has Wireline free voice calling during night (from 9 PM to 7AM) and on Sundays.

(c) & (d) BSNL free voice call on its wireline network for ten hours out of twenty-four hours and one day out of seven days in a week has not led to fall in overall revenue of BSNL.
