

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4422
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH MARCH, 2017**

WAIT-LIST FOR LANDLINE CONNECTIONS

4422. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the BSNL and MTNL are having a long wait list of people for land-line connections;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether any steps are being taken by BSNL and MTNL to clear the waiting list; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the pending applications are likely to be cleared?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) State/Circle wise details of waiting list for landline telephone connections in Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) is at **Annexure-I**.

(c) & (d) BSNL and MTNL make continuous efforts to clear the waiting list. However, many new developing areas coming up in towns and for scattered areas, landline connections cannot be provided as they are technically non-feasible. Local bodies charges for Right of Way (RoW) are also quite high, due to which the viability for providing connections become non-economical.

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Annexure-I

State/Circle wise waiting list of BSNL/MTNL

Sl. No	Circle / State	Waiting List
1	Andaman Nicobar	575
2	Andhra Pradesh	0
3	Assam	0
4	Bihar	0
5	Chhattisgarh	186
6	Gujarat	3829
7	Haryana	0
8	Himachal Pradesh	0
9	Jammu Kashmir	0
10	Jharkhand	0
11	Karnataka	17
12	Kerala	0
13	Madhya Pradesh	0
14	Maharastra	5890
15	North East-I	0
16	North East-II	0
17	Odisha	1310
18	Punjab	0
19	Rajasthan	0
20	Tamilnadu	0
21	Uttar Pradesh(E)	0
22	Uttar Pradesh(W)	0
23	UttaraKhand	0
24	West Bengal	0
25	Calcutta	0
26	Chennai	0
	BSNL(Total)	11807
	MTNL	
01	Delhi	0
02	Mumbai	1129
	MTNL(Total)	1129
