

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1720  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2017**

**NON-FUNCTIONING BSNL LANDLINES**

†1720. SHRI NATUBHAI GOMANBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the landline connections of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited are not working in the rural areas of Dadra & Nagar Haveli;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) the time by which this work will be completed?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) landline connections are working satisfactorily in rural areas of Dadra and Nagar Haveli. However, some connections are faulty due to damage caused to BSNL underground cables by local agencies during road widening and drainage works and also due to heavy rains.
- (b) The details regarding faults pending in rural areas of Dadra and Nagar Haveli as on 19.07.2017 is as under:

S.No.	Name of Exchange	Pending faults
1	Dadara	11
2	Dapada	1
3	Khanvel	2
4	Khilvani	1
5	Naroli	3
6	SSR College	0
7	Wel Spun	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>

In order to minimize the occurrence of landline fault, proper coordination with local digging agencies is being made and the line staff is being provided required material to resolve the cable faults at the earliest.

- (c) All the 19 pending faults will be rectified in next two weeks.

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