

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2953
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND AUGUST, 2017**

BSNL NETWORK IN UTTAR PRADESH

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the non-optional network facility of BSNL has reportedly become a serious problem in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note of the problem of unavailability of BSNL network in the district of Siddharth Nagar, Balrampur and Maharajganj in Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to provide 3G and 4G internet facilities in the said districts of Uttar Pradesh particularly in Siddharth Nagar?

ANSWER

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

(a)&(b) There is no non-optional network facility in BSNL. However, GSM (Global System for Mobile communications) based mobile network of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is meeting the Quality of Service (QoS) parameters prescribed by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) in all of its Licensed Service Areas (LSAs). Monitoring of network has been strengthened further by BSNL to ensure performance as per the QoS parameters prescribed by TRAI.

(c) In Sidharthnagar district, BSNL network is working satisfactory. In Balrampur and Maharajganj districts, the mobile services were affected due to road widening and thereby frequent damages of Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) on main and other alternate routes

(d) All OFC damages are repaired promptly and the network in Balrampur district is stable since last few days. In Maharajganj district, alternate OFC path has been provided and the OFC faults are being attended promptly to immediately restore the services.

(e) At present, in Sidharthnagar, Balrampur and Maharajganj districts, the total number of 3G Base Transceiver Stations (BTSs) working are seven, ten and fifteen respectively. Addition of new BTSs, based on technical feasibility and economic viability is a continuous process.
