

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1864**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.12.2017

**EMRs Emitted by Mobile Towers**

1864. SHRI RAGHAV LAKHANPAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that the Electro-Magnetic Radiations (EMRs) emitted by the mobile towers also affect the wildlife animals, birds etc. in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/being taken by the Government in the last three years to address the issue?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE**  
**(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)**

- (a) and (b) An 'Expert Committee' constituted by the Ministry of Environment and Forest, to study the possible impacts of communication towers on wildlife including Birds and Bees', had in their report submitted to the Ministry in September 2011, mentioned that there are indications that the Electromagnetic Radiations can affect biological systems of animals, birds and insects.

The Ministry has issued an advisory on use of Mobile Towers to minimize their impact on wildlife including birds and bees vide Office Memorandum dated 9<sup>th</sup> August 2012. The advisory has been circulated by the Ministry to the concerned organizations including State Environment and Forest Departments, and local bodies, Ministry of Panchayati Raj and the Department of Telecommunications, for their information and requisite action.

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