GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1788 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13TH FEBRUARY, 2019

WEB PORTAL

1788. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched any web portal for information sharing on Mobile Towers and EMF Emission Compliances, with a view to generate confidence and conviction in the safety of mobile towers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has launched any scheme to create the skill development training centres in various rural, backward and other needy areas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has launched "Tarang Sanchar", a web portal on 2nd May, 2017 for information sharing on Mobile Towers and Electromagnetic Field (EMF) Emission Compliances, with the objective to generate confidence and conviction with regard to safety and harmlessness of mobile towers, clearing any myths and misconceptions. The portal www.tarangsanchar.gov.in has information about mobile towers of all the States. The EMF Portal provides a public interface, where an easy search feature has been provided for viewing the mobile towers in the vicinity of any locality. By the click of a button, information on EMF compliance status of mobile towers can be accessed. Detailed information about any tower site, if requested, is sent on email to the users. The portal also has 'EMF Overview' and 'Learn' Sections, which provide numerous articles, booklets and videos, to further educate the citizens about EMF and coverage of telecom services. Public can also access the 'DoT Initiatives' section which has information with various leaflets, articles and Frequently Asked Questions. The portal has the complete collated technical details of over 20.64 lakh Base Transceiver Stations (BTSs) spread across the country, of all technologies (2G, 3G, 4G etc.) and of all Telecom Service Providers (TSPs).
- (c) & (d) The Department has recently launched the Pilot Scheme to open 'Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Sanchar Kaushal Vikas Pratisthans' to supplement the telecom skilled manpower creation for the growth of telecom sector and to generate livelihood for the youth of the nation. Under the Pilot Scheme ten skill development training centers have been opened at Ghazipur, Varanasi, Jabalpur, Mysore, Bhubaneshwar, Ranchi, Nagpur, Rajpura, Pune and Kalyani (Kolkata). These ten 'Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Sanchar Kaushal Vikas Pratisthans' are providing Skill Development trainings as per National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) to fulfill the local need of the telecom sector owing to large scale spread of Broadband in villages through BBNL, and to cater to various sectoral needs.
