

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.652
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2019**

MOBILE NETWORK IN RAILWAYS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways proposes to develop its own mobile network;**
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken any steps in this regard; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam.

(i) Indian Railways has provided GSM (Global System for Mobile Communication) based mobile network along the track over 2541 Route Kilometers (RKMs).

(ii) As a part of modernisation of signalling system, Indian Railways has decided to provide LTE (Long Tern Evolution) based mobile network along the track to cover all routes over Indian Railways. In the initial phase of modernization of Signalling System, Indian Railways has planned to provide LTE based mobile network in following 4 sections:-

- (1) Renigunta – Yerraguntla (South Central Railway)**
- (2) Nagpur – Badnera (Central Railway)**
- (3) Jhansi – Bina (North Central Railway)**
- (4) Vizianagaram – Palasa (East Coast Railway)**

(iii) A Cabinet Note for Pan India allotment of 10 Megahertz (MHz) spectrum in 700 MHz frequency band for providing LTE based system for Indian Railways has been submitted.
