GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2933 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH JULY, 2019

BSNL MOBILE NETWORK

2933. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that BSNL mobile network is reportedly ineffective even in urban areas; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS, LAW & JUSTICE AND ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) & (b) Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) monitors the performance of telecom service providers including Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) against the benchmark for various Quality of Service (QoS) parameters laid down by TRAI by way of QoS regulations issued from time to time, through Quarterly Performance Monitoring Reports (PMRs).

As per latest PMR issued by TRAI for the quarter ending March 2019, for Cellular Mobile Telephone Service, BSNL is meeting the benchmark for all the parameters in all of its Licensed Service Areas (LSAs) except for the parameter "Network QoS DCR Spatial distribution measure or DCR Network_QsD (90,90) (benchmark 2%)" and "Network QoS DCR temporal distribution measure or DCR Network_QTD (97,90) (benchmark < 3%)" in West Bengal Service area.

Steps taken by BSNL for further improvement of mobile services are as under:

- (i) BSNL is augmenting its mobile network progressively so as to enhance coverage and quality of service.
- (ii) BSNL is optimizing its network regularly for its performance.
- (iii) BSNL regularly surveys for the low signal area and take corrective measures for providing the services on techno commercial basis.
