

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3891
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17TH JULY, 2019**

MOBILE CONNECTIVITY IN KODARMA DISTRICT

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether mobile connectivity and network facility is not available in Kodarma district of Jharkhand due to shortage of BSNL mobile towers;
- (b) the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) 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) to (c) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has informed that as on 31.05.2019, 2154 Base Transceiver Stations (BTSs) for 2G and 1118 BTSs for 3G are working in Jharkhand State. These include 34 BTSs for 2G and 17 BTSs for 3G in Kodarma district.

70 BTSs (2G/4G) are approved for installation in Kodarma district for providing mobile connectivity in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas at locations identified by Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) under scheme funded by Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF).
