

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5129
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH JULY, 2019**

HIGH SPEED WIFI CONNECTIONS TO MPs

5129. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the numbers of the Members of Parliament (MPs) who have been provided with high speed wifi, Fibre to the Home (FTTH) services;
- (b) the funds spent on each connection and the amount collected for the same;
- (c) the details of the names and designation of the nodal officers responsible for maintenance of the said connections;
- (d) the numbers of complaints with regard to the connections lodged by the MPs during the last two years; and
- (e) the details of the speed provided under the said service along with the details of the company making equipments used in the same?

ANSWER

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

(a) Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) and Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) have informed that as on 25.05.2019, 728 and 29 high speed Wi-Fi Fibre to the Home (FTTH) connections were provided to Members of Parliament (MPs) respectively.

(b) MTNL has informed that FTTH connection with Wi-Fi access points (ranging from three to six numbers) were provided to each MP during 2015-16 at an average cost of Rs.1.7 lakh including Annual Maintenance Charges for four years after three years warranty period. BSNL has informed that average cost to provide each FTTH connection to MPs is Rs.25,000/-.

BSNL and MTNL are collecting Rs.1500/- per month and Rs.2200/- per month (excluding GST) per FTTH connection respectively.

(c) BSNL has informed that concerned field Sub Divisional Officer (SDO) is the nodal officer responsible for maintenance of FTTH connections to MPs. Details of nodal officers of MTNL is as under:

S.No.	Name of Nodal Officer	Designation
1	Shri Ranjan Kumar	Senior Manager, Sena Bhawan
2	Shri U.C. Jain	Senior Manager, Rajpath
3	Shri Ajay Gupta	Senior Manager, Janpath
4	Shri Rakesh Saxena	Senior Manager, Kidwai Bhawan
5	Shri Imtiaz Ahmed	Senior Manager, Jor Bagh
6	Shri Deepak Kumar	Manager, WiFi-2

(d) As reported by MTNL and BSNL, 1054 (1050 of MTNL and 4 of BSNL) complaints with regard to connections were lodged in the last two years.

(e) BSNL has informed that speed of its FTTH connections to MPs is 10 Mbps. Equipment make varies from State to State viz. Huawei in Rajasthan, ITI in Bihar, Syrma Technology in Andaman & Nicobar, Alphion in Madhya Pradesh, Nokia-Siemens in Chhattisgarh etc.

MTNL has informed that it is offering upload/download speed of 100 Mbps upto 500 GB and 10 Mbps thereafter for its FTTH connections to MPs. All WiFi equipments in MTNL connections were supplied by M/s Sanghvi Infotech Pvt. Ltd. Access Points were manufactured by M/s Z Com and Switches and Racks were manufactured by M/s Max Route.
