

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 194
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7TH DECEMBER, 2022**

BSNL/MTNL CUSTOMERS PORTING TO ANOTHER NETWORK

194. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of BSNL/MTNL customers are porting to another network, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor during the last five years;
- (b) whether BSNL/MTNL is going to provide 5G facility to their customers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for the development of BSNL/MTNL in the country?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)**

- (a) The details of port IN and port OUT of BSNL/MTNL users are as under:

Period	BSNL		MTNL	
	Port OUT subscribers	Port IN subscribers	Port OUT subscribers	Port IN subscribers
April-22 to September-22	3556245	1015852	23989	2745
April-21 to March-22	5615802	3057626	56740	4816
April-20 to March-21	6671056	1799124	68160	2655
April-19 to March-20	3938880	4321220	107601	8764
April-18 to March-19	3224829	5600446	145552	11294
April-17 to March-18	3984637	5203773	198022	10020

(b) to (d) The Government has reserved the spectrum for BSNL in various bands for providing 5G services, while conducting the spectrum auction in July, 2022. BSNL has floated the tender in October 2022 for finalizing its 4G/5G network through Atmanirbhar initiative of the Government from amongst the shortlisted vendors who have demonstrated their equipment in the Proof of Concept (PoC) conducted in BSNL.

(e) The Union Cabinet in its meeting held on 27.07.2022 has approved revival package of BSNL/MTNL amounting to Rs 1.64 lakhs crores. The Revival measures focus on infusing fresh capital for upgrading BSNL services, allocating spectrum, de-stressing its balance sheet, augmenting its fibre network by merging Bharat Broadband Nigam Limited (BBNL) with BSNL and sovereign guarantees to BSNL/MTNL.
