GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 584 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2020

MOBILE TOWER FOOTPRINT OF BSNL

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has expanded its mobile tower footprint in the country and if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year State/UT-wise including Tamilnadu;
- (b) whether all the existing mobile towers are not functional and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to make all the towers functional and provide better services to its customers?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS, EDUCATION AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE)

- (a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has informed that it has expanded its mobile tower footprint in the country. Details are at Annexure.
- (b)&(c) BSNL has informed that all the mobile towers are functional. However, all faults arising due to power outage, media and hardware issues are attended by BSNL on priority to provide uninterrupted services to its customers. BSNL is meeting Quality of Service (QoS) benchmarks of mobile network prescribed by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI).

Annexure

Annexure to part-(a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.584 for 16.09.2020

Total mobile towers State/Circle wise and Year wise

	Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
S. No.	Name of Circle	Mobile Towers as on 31.03.2017	Mobile Towers as on 31.03.2018	Mobile Towers as on 31.03.2019	Mobile Towers as on 31.03.2020	Mobile Towers as on 31.07.2020
1	Andaman & Nicobar	152	167	172	173	173
2	Andhra Pradesh*	5746	3436	3416	3416	3416
3	Assam	1352	1367	1410	1410	1410
4	Bihar	1905	1908	1909	1909	1909
5	Chhattisgarh	1642	1638	1782	1794	1794
6	Gujarat	4582	4594	4704	4749	4377
7	Himachal Pradesh	957	977	977	980	980
8	Haryana	1557	1557	1537	1531	1531
9	Jammu & Kashmir	1034	1044	1048	1044	1047
10	Jharkhand	1400	1404	1404	1404	1216
11	Kerala	4066	4230	4213	4360	4360
12	Karnataka	4087	4121	4121	4121	4121
13	Maharashtra	5881	5897	6036	6052	6052
14	Madhya Pradesh	4601	4634	5193	5285	5285
15	North East-I	626	635	635	635	635
16	North East-II	676	676	676	676	676
17	Odisha	2403	2471	2471	2471	2471
18	Punjab	2325	2325	2325	2328	2329
19	Rajasthan	3959	4000	4028	4028	4028
20	Tamil Nadu	4824	4821	4813	4760	4759
21	Telangana*	-	2393	2401	2401	2401
22	Uttar Pradesh-East	4783	4772	4801	4804	4799
23	Uttar Pradesh -West	2317	2261	2261	2261	2261
24	Uttarakhand	1041	1041	1046	1036	1029
25	West Bengal	2258	2258	2258	2258	2258
26	Kolkata TD	869	869	869	869	869
27	Chennai TD	1517	1522	1523	1295	1295
	TOTAL	66560	67018	68029	68050	67481

^{*} For the year 2017, the figures of Telangana are added with Andhra Pradesh Circle.
