

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 638
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2020**

2G MOBILE COMMUNICATION

638. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating on dropping the 2G mobile communications system in the wake of increasing digital technology and introduction of 5G Technology in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any suggestions from Mobile companies in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (b) No, Telecom Service Providers in the country are using diverse cellular mobile technologies viz. 2G, 3G, 4G and their combinations to provide voice & data services.

The Choice of technology for provision of telecom services are left to the Service Provider as per their respective business considerations. The Department of Telecommunications, Government of India makes available sufficient spectrum through auction for mobile services across different bands.

(c) No, Government has not received any suggestion in this regard from Mobile companies.
