

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1533
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH FEBRUARY, 2021**

NARROW BAND SATELLITE

†1533. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether BSNL proposes to launch the world's first satellite based on narrow band for network dedicated to Internet of Things(IOT) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any partnership is likely to be made by the Government in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the objective of the said satellite; and
- (e) whether the services of the said satellite will be available in the State of Gujarat and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Sir, BSNL has no proposal to launch any satellite based on narrow band for network dedicated to Internet of Things (IOT). However, BSNL has proposed satellite based low bit rate Internet of Things (IOT) service for which in-principle approval has been granted by Department of Telecommunications.

(c) to (e) Not applicable since no launching of a satellite by BSNL has been proposed.
