### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2608 TO BE ANSWERED ON 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2021

#### PROPAGATION OF OBSCENE MESSAGES/ADVERTISEMENTS

†2608. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the telecom companies are propagating the obscene, misleading and unwanted advertisements through e-mails, whatsapp messenger and facebook etc. to gain financial profit and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) the number of such complaints received by the Government so far;
- (c) whether such messages/advertisements are against the traditions of Indian culture and society which are causing adverse effect on young generations and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to ban the publicity of such messages?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)

(a) to (d) Telecom companies have reported that they are not propagating obscene, misleading and unwanted advertisements through e-mail, Whatsapp messenger, Facebook etc. for their financial benefit.

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