

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 686  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2021**

**SHORTAGE OF BSNL TOWERS**

686. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of shortage of BSNL Towers and network related issues in Hassan district of Karnataka particularly in hilly and forest areas of Alur and Sakaleshapura blocks which is causing inconvenience to public and impacting the functioning of government offices;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken or being taken by the Government to solve this problem; and
- (c) the details of BSNL towers approved, sanctioned and funds sanctioned, utilised in Hassan district?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) BSNL has informed that it augments its mobile network in its areas of operation including Hassan district of Karnataka based on techno-commercial considerations. Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) monitors the performance of the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) including BSNL against the benchmark for various Quality of Services (QoS) parameters laid down by TRAI by way of QoS regulations issued from time to time, through Quarterly Performance Monitoring Reports (PMRs). As per PMR for quarters ending June, 2020 to June, 2021, BSNL is meeting all the QoS parameters for its cellular and basic services in Karnataka.

(c) The total number of 3G towers commissioned through redeployment in Hassan district is 33. Rs. 27,80,588 has been utilised against sanctioned budget of Rs. 39,20,600 for this purpose.

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