BSNL SUBSCRIBERS

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the data of the subscribers connecting to BSNL through porting along with the new subscribers during the last one year;

(b) the number of circles in the country in which BSNL is providing 4G services to the subscribers at present; and

(c) the time by which BSNL proposes to provide 4G services in the circles which are deprived of it?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)

(a) During the FY 2020-21, total 17,12,601 mobile subscribers are ported-in and 1,53,75,842 new mobile subscribers are added to Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL).

(b) & (c) BSNL is providing 4G services on limited scale in all Licensed Service Areas of its operation except West Bengal and Rajasthan.

Under Atma-nirbhar initiative of the Government, BSNL invited the Expression of Interest (EoI) on 01.01.2021 for Proof of Concept (PoC) for Indian Companies interested in participating in BSNL’s upcoming 4G tender. BSNL would rollout 4G services in other LSAs based on techno-commercial considerations.

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