

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1763  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2022**

**5G NETWORK**

1763. SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to roll out 5th Generation (5G) network in the country during the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to increase the Production Linked Incentives (PLI) for local manufacturing of 5G design led equipments in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of any national or multinational companies that has shown interest for the same?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) Yes Sir Launch of 5G mobile service is likely during 2022-23 by Telecom Service Providers. The Department of Telecommunication vide notification dated 15th June, 2022 has already initiated the process of Auction of Spectrum in 600 MHz, 700 MHz, 800 MHz, 900 MHz, 1800 MHz, 2100 MHz, 2300 MHz, 2500 MHz, 3300 MHz, and 26 GHz Bands which includes the Spectrum required for launch of 5G Services.

(c) to (e) The Department of Telecommunications has amended the guidelines for Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for manufacturing of telecom & networking products to facilitate design-led manufacturing of 5G products in the country. One of the amendments is 1% higher incentive for products qualifying the design-led criteria. The application window has been opened since 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2022 till 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2022. In addition to existing PLI beneficiaries, total 26 National/ Multinational companies have shown their interest as on 21.07.2022.

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