

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1452
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31ST JULY, 2024**

STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEES

**1452 SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has constituted six stakeholder advisory committees to give inputs fostering the growth of the sector and for resolving key issues;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the composition of the said committees;
- (c) whether any meetings of the committees have been convened till now;
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the details of items discussed as well as goals and targets set therein; and
- (e) the manner in which this step of the Government is going to give boost to the telecom sector in the country?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(DR. PEMMASANI CHANDRA SEKHAR)**

- (a) Yes,
- (b) The six Stakeholder Advisory Committees are (1) Academicians and R & D Committee; (2) Telecom Electronics Ecosystem; (3) Telecom Sector Original Equipment Manufacturers; (4) Telecom Service Providers; (5) Internet Service Providers & Infrastructure Providers; and (6) Satellite Communications Ecosystems. The Stakeholders' Committees include members representing Telecom Electronics Associations, Telecom Equipment Manufacturers, Telecom Service Providers, Internet Service Providers, and Infrastructure Providers, Satellite Communications players, Academia, Innovators, Chip Makers, R & D organizations, and representatives of various Industry Associations.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) One meeting of each committee was held on 15th July & 16th July 2024. In the meetings, it was decided that the Department and Stakeholders will together identify issues for orderly growth of the sector and formulate strategies to address identified issues. The Committee will work to tackle industry-wise issues. The Stakeholder Advisory Committee system is an ongoing process to promote orderly growth of the sector and each committee will meet periodically to settle the issues.
- (e) The Stakeholder Advisory Committee system has enabled two-way dialogue on matters related to Telecommunications services improvement, Technology promotion, sharing of new ideas and resolving policy issues, if any.
