

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5071
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND APRIL, 2025**

AMENDMENT IN TELECOM ACT, 2023

**5071. SHRI CHAVAN RAVINDRA VASANTRAO:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to amend the India's Telecom Act, 2023;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with aims and objectives thereto;
- (c) the salient features of the new Telecom Act;
- (d) whether the Government is also working to attract foreign investments and technological collaborations; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken for aligning policies with global best practices in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b) No such proposal is under consideration.
- (c) The Telecom Act has provisions for simple regulatory framework, optimal utilization of spectrum, effective Right of Way framework, public safety, national security, innovation and technology development, user protection, effective adjudication mechanism, standardization and protection of Telecom networks, and digital by design implementation.
- (d) & (e) The extant Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) framework allows 100% FDI in Telecom Sector, subject to applicable laws/regulations, licensing & security conditions and other conditionality. In addition, the department actively engages with its counterparts in key global markets, including the United States, the United Kingdom, the European Union, Japan and Germany, among others. These engagements take place both bilaterally and through multilateral platforms with an objective to foster collaborations in cutting-edge and emerging technologies, including 5G, Beyond 5G, 6G, Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence (AI), and the Internet of Things (IoT). As part of these engagements, the Department actively participates in capacity-building initiatives and knowledge exchange sessions on emerging technologies. These interactions facilitate the alignment of India's technological advancements with global best practices.
