# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4050 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER, 2015

#### **DIVIDEND BY TELECOM PSUs**

#### †4050. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY: SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the share of Government in telecom PSUs, the BSNL and the MTNL;
- (b) whether the Government receives proportional dividend from these PSUs;
- (c) if so, the details thereof during the last three financial years, year and PSU-wise; and
- (d) if not, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

#### **ANSWER**

### THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

- (a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is a wholly owned Government Company while Government holds 56.25% share in Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL).
- (b) to (d) BSNL and MTNL have been incurring losses since 2009-10 and, therefore, they have not declared any dividend during the last three financial years.

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