

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4081
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd DECEMBER, 2015**

MOBILE TOWERS

**4081. SHRI S. SELVAKUMARA CHINNAYAN:
SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:
SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:**

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

- (a) the State-wise and Union Territory-wise number of mobile towers of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) in the country along with the break-up of the towers having antenna and without antenna;
- (b) the action taken/proposed to be taken for setting up antenna and other equipments/for functioning of the towers and the time frame for the same;
- (c) whether the matter for installation of mobile towers by BSNL/MTNL is pending in various telecom districts;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) the details of proposals for setting up new mobile towers by BSNL and MTNL?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Circle-wise details of mobile towers of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) in the country along with the break-up of the towers having antenna and without antenna are given in **Annexure-1**.

BSNL has reported that for procurement of GSM (Global System of Mobile communication) equipment, the tendering process for Phase-VII expansion project to augment its capacity in its areas of operation by 15 million lines has been concluded and the roll out for the same is under process. Out of 15 million lines, approximately 7.2 million lines have already been rolled out and remaining is under various stages of commissioning which BSNL will utilise for making operational non-radiating 1719 towers.

(c) & (d) MTNL has reported that no installation of mobile tower is pending in its service area. Circle-wise detail of BTSs pending for installation by BSNL is given in **Annexure-2**.

(e) BSNL has planned installation of additional 9600 3G BTSs and replacement of 5300 old 2G BTSs in North and South Zone to be rolled out from next financial year. MTNL has reported that presently no such proposal has been approved.

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Annexure-I

Total No. of Mobile Towers of BSNL and MTNL as on 30.09.2015

Sl. No.	Name Of Circle	Total No. of Towers	Towers with antenna (Radiating)	Towers without antenna (Non-Radiating)
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	146	146	0
2.	Andhra Pradesh	5527	5527	0
3.	Assam	1779	1779	0
4.	Bihar	1843	1839	4
5.	Chhattisgarh	1607	1607	0
6.	Gujarat	4528	4474	54
7.	Himachal Pradesh	953	940	13
8.	Haryana	1548	1548	0
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	1011	990	21
10.	Jharkhand	1394	1249	145
11.	Kerala	3825	3825	0
12.	Karnataka	4111	4106	5
13.	Maharashtra	5861	5777	84
14.	Madhya Pradesh	4469	4221	148
15.	North East-I	607	607	0
16.	North East-II	648	607	41
17.	Odisha	2307	2083	224
18.	Punjab	2287	2244	43
19.	Rajasthan	3901	3746	155
20.	Tamil Nadu	4837	4815	22
21.	Utter Pradesh (East)	4524	4321	203
22.	Utter Pradesh (West)	2211	1963	248
23.	Uttarakhand	1005	936	69
24.	West Bengal	2258	2124	134
25.	Kolkata Tel. Distt.	881	876	5
26.	Chennai Tel. Distt.	1498	1497	1
Total BSNL		65566	63847	1719
<u>MTNL</u>				
1.	Delhi	1867	1867	-
2.	Mumbai	1679	1679	-

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Annexure -2

Circle-wise detail of BTSs pending for installation by BSNL as on 31.10.2015

S. No.	Circle	Cellular BTS (2G)			Cellular BTS (3G)		
		To be Installed	Already installed	Pending	To be installed	Already installed	Pending
1	HARYANA	719	673	46	500	440	60
2	HIMACHAL PRADESH	317	310	07	110	110	00
3	JAMMU & KASHMIR	130	122	08	25	10	15
4	PUNJAB	722	680	42	574	528	46
5	RAJASTHAN	595	591	04	229	221	08
6	UTTARAKHAND	320	295	25	139	130	09
7	UTTAR PRADESH (EAST)	1172	989	183	870	691	179
8	UTTAR PRADESH (WEST)	949	899	50	620	587	33
9	ANADAMAN NICOBAR	52	50	02	0	0	00
10	ASSAM	174	172	02	70	67	03
11	BIHAR	1150	123	1027	228	208	20
12	KOLKATA	166	131	35	163	130	33
13	JHARKHAND	246	222	24	231	222	09
14	NORTH EAST-I	328	263	65	247	192	55
15	NORTH EAST-II	258	187	71	254	182	72
16	ODISHA	1355	1192	163	1214	811	403
17	WEST BENGAL	520	408	112	390	276	114
18	CHATTISGARH	126	122	04	129	122	07
19	GUJARAT	393	332	61	379	328	51
20	MAHARASTRA	574	552	22	531	518	13
21	MADHYA PRADESH	283	275	08	286	278	08
22	ANDHRA PRADESH	1892	1892	00	1890	1870	20
23	CHENNAI TD	0	0	00	190	190	00
24	KERALA	647	643	04	795	772	23
25	KARNATAKA	636	636	00	320	320	00
26	TAMILNADU	510	505	05	420	420	00
	Grand Total	14234	12264	1970	10804	9623	1181
