

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1304  
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2000  
DECLINE IN PROFIT OF MTNL  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether profit has come down in MTNL in the 1st quarter of the current fiscal year because of reduced domestic long distance tariffs; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) No, Sir. The net profit after tax as compared to previous quarter has increased.

(b) In view of (a) above, the question does not arise.