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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to wind up `Garuda` mobile service because of its poor response from the subscribers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the steps being taken by the Government to enhance and upgrade its operational efficiency?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. Garuda Service of MTNL is functioning satisfactorily.

(c) In Delhi and Mumbai, CDMA 2000 1X type network of 400K capacity each is in advanced stage of installation, which provides not only full mobility with better coverage but also provide high speed data, access to internet, gaming etc.