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IMPROVING PERFORMANCE OF TCIL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the project turnover of the Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (TCIL) during 2004-2005 has been reduced;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the justification for appointing part time consultants/advisors;

(d) the number of retired TCIL employees retained as consultants during the last 2 years till date including their names, remuneration and expertise;

(e) the number of new regular employees recruited during the last 3 years; and

(f) the measures taken by the Government to improve the performance of TCIL?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Sir. The turnover of TCIL during the year 2004-05 is Rs. 449.14 crores as against Rs. 544.43 crores during the previous year 2003-04.

(b) The turnover is reduced due to decreasing trend world over in creation of External Plant Network for fixed lines, which was the core business of the Company since its inception. Year 2004- 05 was a transition period to high-tech business areas.

(c) Consultants/Advisors are appointed for short duration to take advantage of their vast experience and shortfall of manpower which was traditionally available from Department of Telecommunications till formation of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) in October, 2000.

(d) TCIL has retained 14 retired TCIL employees as consultant/advisors in the last 2 years, out of which 5 have already discontinued and 9 are continuing. Their names, remuneration and level of expertise is given in the Annexure.

(e) During the last three years, TCIL has recruited total 105 number of employees as against 115 employees retired/resigned.

(f) Performance of TCIL is reviewed at regular interval. For increasing the turnover, efforts are being made to enter new areas of business and secure business from new clients. Turnover is expected to be higher than that achieved in 2004-05. Against specific requirement of Project TCIL deploys manpower from its own staff, engages consultant/advisors and some trained manpower from the absorbed employees of BSNL and MTNL.

ANNEXURE RETIRED TCIL EMPLOYEES ENGAGED AS CONSULTANTS IN THE LAST TWO YEARS UPTILL NOW

S. No	Name	DESGN. BEFORE SUPERANNUATION	DATE OF APPOINTMENT/ ENGAGEMENT	Consolidated remuneration (Rs. Per Month)	Field of speciali zation (expertise)	Remarks
1	S.N. BHAT	Sr. Mgr.,TCIL	07/01/2004	7600	Telecom Transmission	Discontinued
2	S. S. CHAUHAN	JGM, TCIL	01/07/2004	8000	Telecom switching & Networking	
3	R. D. CHATURVEDI	JGM, TCIL	30/09/2004	8000	Switching and Network Planning	
4	Y.R. BHASIN	GM, TCIL	01/10/2004	10,500	Rehabili tation of External Network	Discontinue
5	JARNAIL SINGH	JGM, TCIL	01/12/2004	10,500	OSP and Material Management	
6	J.C. AJMANI	Sr. Mgr. TCIL	07/12/2004	7600	Commercial Engineer	
7	J.P. SINGH	JGM, TCIL	13/12/2004	US$ 28 per day	Transmission	Posted in Afghanistan (Discontinued)
8	A. K. BHARGAVA	ED, TCIL	01/03/2005	13,500	Tower, Microwave and Foreign Projects	
9	B.L. ARORA	ED, TCIL	02/05/2005	13,500	Corporate Strategies, Material Management	Discontinued
10	F.C. SIKRI	Mgr. TCIL	02/05/2005	6,600	Repaid or HFRC equipment	Discontinued
11	V.B. MATHUR	GM, TCIL	02/05/2005	10,500	Finance	
12	V. VENKATA SUBBU	Dy. Mgr., TCIL	01.06.2005	SR 2200	Satellite O & M	Posted in KSA
13	O.P. SHARMA	GM, TCIL	01.09.2005	10,500	Transmission, Microwave and GSM Projects.	
14	MOHAMMED	AM, TCIL	28.09.2005	US$ 23per day	Coaxial O & M	Posted in Ethiopia