

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2280
ANSWERED ON:10.03.2006
HIRING OF SECURITY AGENCIES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Chief General Managers, Telecommunications (BSNL) of six telecom circles engaged security agencies on contract through open tenders instead of getting sponsored ex-servicemen empanelled from the Directorate General of Resettlement, in violation of the directives of their Corporate Office resulting irregular expenditure of Rs.6.30 crore on contract labour during the period from August 2001 to March 2004, besides denying ex-servicemen the benefit of resettlement;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether MTNL has also engaged private security agencies on contract instead of ex-servicemen in violation of Directorate General of Resettlement instructions;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the expenditure incurred on hiring of these private security agencies; and
- (e) the action Government propose to take against officials for causing irregular expenditure worth crores of rupees and for denying job opportunities to ex-servicemen ?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Sir. Six telecom circles in Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) engaged security agencies on contract basis involving an expenditure of Rs. 6.30 crores during the transition period before switching over to Directorate General of Resettlement (DGR) sponsored security agencies as per the directives of BSNL Corporate Office.
- (b) The details of expenditure is given in the Annexure.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.
- (e) BSNL is investigating these cases to find out the reasons for undue delay and lapses for fixing responsibility.

ANNEXURE

Circle-wise details of Alleged Irregular Expenditure

Sl.No. Name of Amount (Rs. Mode of Deployment
Circle/SSA in Lakhs)

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|----|---------------------|--------|----------|---------|
| 1. | Haryana Circle | | | |
| | TDM/Rewari | 40.21 | Deployed | through |
| | Open Tender. | | | |
| | GMT/Gurgaon | 52.80 | | |
| 2. | Tamil Nadu Circle | | | |
| | Salem & Vellore | 161.18 | Deployed | through |
| | DGR as well as Open | | | |
| | Tender. | | | |
| 3. | West Bengal | | | |
| | Circle | | | |
| | GMT/Jalpaiguri | 28.99 | Deployed | through |
| | Open Tender. | | | |
| 4. | Madhya Pradesh | | | |
| | Circle | | | |
| | GMTD, Ujjain | 8.10 | Deployed | through |
| | Open Tender. | | | |

GMTD, Gwalior	32.09	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
GMTD, Indore	60.00	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
TDM, Dhar	21.56	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
TDM, Panna	2.50	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
TDM, Narsinghpur	4.93	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
TDM, Morena	26.40	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
TDM, Dewas	13.60	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
TDM, Vidisha	3.23	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
TDM, Seoni	1.53	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
5. Uttar Pradesh			
(East) Circle			
GMTD, Gorakhpur	120.97	Deployed through	
DGR as well as Open			
Tender.			
6. Karnataka Circle			
GMTD, Devengare	47.25	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
DGM, Bangalore	5.01	Deployed through	
Open Tender.			
Total	630.35		