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

- (a) the loss/profit likely to be accrued after introduction of the One India Tariff Plan by the BSNL/MTNL; and
- (b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to make up the loss?

Answer

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

(a) BSNL expects that the One India Tariff Plan will result in growth in traffic as well as addition of new subscribers generating additional revenue, offsetting the financial burden due to lower rates.

MTNL feels that it is too early to assess the impact on the financial performance.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.