

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1605
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PROVISION OF MOBILE SERVICES
Pangi Shri Jayaram

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide mobile services in the Naxal affected States including Orissa;
- (b) if so, the time by which the above service is likely to be provided; and
- (c) if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide other connectivity services in the said areas?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT)

(a) to (c) Sir, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is providing mobile services in its area of operation including Orissa, based on techno commercial viability;