GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 151 ANSWERED ON 10TH DECEMBER, 2025

REVIVAL PACKAGE FOR BSNL

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of all revival packages approved for BSNL during the last ten years;
- (b) whether BSNL has continued to post losses even after revival packages and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the amount of revival funds actually spent, item-wise, and the details of the outcomes achieved; and
- (d) the reasons for delay in nationwide roll out of 4G and in launching 5G along with circlewise status?

ANSWER MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE OF LOK SABHA IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.151 FOR 10TH DECEMBER, 2025 REGARDING "REVIVAL PACKAGE FOR BSNL."

- (a) & (c) Government has approved revival packages to BSNL as mentioned below:
 - In 2019, first revival package amounting to around ₹ 69,000 Crores was given that brought down the operating costs of BSNL.
 - In 2022, revival package amounting to around ₹ 1,64,000 Crores was given. It focused on infusing fresh capital, restructuring debt, viability gap funding for rural telephony etc.
 - In 2023, Government approved the allotment of 4G/5G spectrum to BSNL with the total outlay of around ₹89,000 Crores.
 - In 2025 an additional amount of ₹ 6,982 Crores has been approved as additional CAPEX support for rollout of 4G network by BSNL across the country.

The total amount of ₹ 2,54,575.39 Crores has been spent from these revival packages, so far. Detailed breakup of item-wise fund utilization is at **Annexure-I**.

- (b) As a result of these packages, BSNL has started to earn operating profit from F.Y. 2020-21.
- (d) As part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, BSNL has rapidly installed 97,401 4G sites using indigenously innovated 4G technology, of which 94,458 sites are On-Air as of 30.11.2025. The equipment is 5G upgradable from technology perspective. The state-wise data of BSNL 4G sites installed and commissioned is attached at **Annexure-II**.

Annexure-I

Annexure-I of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 151 for 10.12.2025 Item-wise fund utilization

S No	Item	Released funds ₹
1	Implementation of VRS in BSNL/MTNL	29,574.54
2	Debt restructuring of BSNL and MTNL through Sovereign Guarantee Bonds (SGB) support	38,814.69
3	Administrative allotment of spectrum to BSNL/MTNL for providing 2G and 4G/5G through equity infusion	1,09,787
4	Support for settlement of AGR dues to BSNL	31,957.16
5	CAPEX requirement support through equity infusion	17,273
6	Viability Gap Funding (VGF) in form of grant-in-aid to BSNL.	19,669
7	Re-issue 9% non-cumulative preference shares of Rs. 7,500 Cr to Govt. of India(GoI).	7,500
8	Operational merger of MTNL with BSNL	Nil
	Total	2,54,575.39

Annexure-II of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 151 for 10.12.2025

State Wise Data of Deployment of 4G sites as on 30.11.2025

CI		No. of 4G	No. of 4G
Sl	Circle	Towers	Towers
No		Installed	Commissioned
1	Andaman & Nicobar	270	250
2	Andhra Pradesh	6107	6010
3	Assam	2283	2107
4	Bihar	2958	2805
5	Chhattisgarh	2867	2786
6	Delhi	965	855
7	Gujarat	4658	4627
	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	72	72
8	& Daman and Diu		
9	Haryana	2056	2056
10	Himachal Pradesh	1951	1930
11	Jammu & Kashmir	1697	1624
12	Ladakh	383	304
13	Jharkhand	2861	2560
14	Karnataka	5249	5231
15	Kerala	6884	6884
16	Lakshadweep	47	47
17	Madhya Pradesh	4889	4718
18	Maharashtra	9585	9270
19	Goa	238	236
20	Meghalaya	466	410
21	Mizoram	161	108
22	Tripura	556	519
23	Arunachal Pradesh	947	450
24	Manipur	300	271
25	Nagaland	475	388
26	Odisha	5802	5458
27	Punjab	3598	3598
28	Chandigarh	138	138
29	Rajasthan	5665	5665
30	Sikkim	131	102
31	Tamil Nadu	7321	7321
32	Puducherry	209	209
33	Telangana	3016	2987
34	Uttarakhand	1795	1733
35	Uttar Pradesh	6893	6887
36	West Bengal	3908	3842
	Total	97401	94458
