

(b) and (c) The company paid the initial technology fee to SAMEER as per the signed agreement. However, at the time of placement of prototype order on the above company, the user agency, *i.e.* DRDL changed some technical specifications for the Radio modem. The company requested SAMEER to supply this item as per the changed specification which was not possible for SAMEER in the required time frame. The company made their own solution and supplied the prototype units to DRDL successfully. Due to this, they did not fulfill the remaining terms and conditions of the agreement signed with SAMEER.

DRDL has placed further production order on the company for this item.

#### **Poor Dolphin connectivity in Vasant Vihar**

2157. SHRI MANGALA KISAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government servants/officers/Parliament officials/CBI officials using Dolphin connections in Vasant Vihar area of South Delhi;

(b) whether the connectivity of Dolphin mobile service of MTNL is very poor in South Delhi particularly in Vasant Vihar near Priya Cinema and CBI/CGH Complex (Parliament Pool) and JNU area for the last six months;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by MTNL to improve the mobile signal quality in these areas, immediately;

(d) by when the situation is likely to improve; and

(e) the reasons for inflated bills, irrespective of the poor services by Dolphin?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT): (a) Locality-wise/category-wise data is not maintained in the system. However, approximately, 605 Government servants may be using Dolphin connections in Vasant Vihar area of South Delhi.

(b) to (d) No, Sir. Connectivity of Dolphin mobile services of MTNL in JNU area is very good. However, in Vasant Vihar area, coverage has been affected due to sealing of Tower near Priya Cinema by Municipal Corporation of Delhi. Case has been taken with MCD to resolve the matter at the earliest to improve the services in this area.

(e) No such case has come to notice.

#### **2G services**

2158. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that allotment of spectrum for 2G services were made to several entrepreneurs who were not mobile telecom service providers at that point;

(b) if so, the rationale therefor;