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		Datacom	24.12.2008		4.4
		Idea	24.12.2008		4.4
		Unitech	24.12.2008		4.4
		S.Tel	24.12.2008		4.4
		Loop	24.12.2008		4.4

Allocation of 3G Spectrum

†2934. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government for finalizing the issue of the allocation of 3G spectrum issue;

(b) whether Government proposes to start the auction of 3G spectrum and whether bids are being invited for this purpose;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, by when Government would finalize the issue of the allocation of 3G spectrum?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT): (a) ECoM on 'Auction of 3G spectrum' had several meetings on 31st July, 2009, 27th August, 2009, 19th November, 2009, 21st December, 2009 and 12th January, 2010 and finalized the issue of allocation of 3G spectrum.

(b) and (c) Government has issued the Notice Inviting Applications (NIA) for auction of 3G spectrum on 25.02.2010. As per the NIA, the winners of 3G auction shall be allowed to utilize the spectrum for commercial operations only from 1st September, 2010.

Auction of 3G spectrum has started on 09.04.2010 and is under progress.

(d) Not applicable in view of (b) & (c) above.

Country-wide operation of mobile number portability

2935. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has scrapped the initial deadlines and targets for a country-wide operation of Mobile Number Portability (MNP);

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.