

Statement

*Status of mobile coverage on national highway number 69 by BSNL
in the area falling in Madhya Pradesh*

Sl. No.	Name of SSA	Total length (In km.)	BTS working	Present coverage (In km.)	BTS planned in Phase-V	Planned coverage (In km.) by March, 2011	Total planned coverage	Balance length (in km.)
1.	Bhopal (Obedullahganj)	23	2	9	0	0	9	14
2.	Hoshagabad	63	9	45	0	0	45	18
3.	Betul	125	17	97	3	17	114	11
4.	Chhindwara	49	6	49	0	0	49	0
TOTAL:		260	34	200	3	17	217	43

Note: SSA = Secondary Switching Area
BTS = Base Transceiver Station

Small and Medium Enterprises sector

3213. SHRI R.C. SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) sector is less user of IT in the country and there is a need to focus on this sector; and

(b) if so, in what manner NASSCOM is planning to help SME sector to use more and more information technology?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT): (a) and (b) National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM) and National Manufacturing Competitiveness Council (NMCC) have brought out a report "A Roadmap of ICT adoption in the Indian Manufacturing Sector". The objective of this report is to identify the current stage of ICT adoption in the manufacturing sector, especially in the Micro, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises [MSME] and the factors hindering the adoption of ICT therein. The "roadmap" identifies shared responsibilities between the Government, technology companies, industry association, academia, and manufacturing firms for enhancing ICT adoption.

Study conducted by NASSCOM

3214. SHRI R.C. SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM) has conducted any study recently;

(b) if so, the details of the study;

(c) whether it is also a fact that NASSCOM has outlined a five point agenda for the development of IT sector; and

(d) if so, in what manner the above agenda would help India to become the leader in IT and ITES?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM) has conducted a study during 2009 regarding the development of IT-ITES sector over the coming decade till 2020. This report is titled "NASSCOM Perspective 2020 : Transform Business, Transform India". The report outlines the roadmap for the Indian Technology and Business Services Industry and identifies the industry's long-term certainties; opportunities that arise from them and the actions needed to effectively capitalize on them. Success to retain India's leadership in this space will rely on concerted action by all the stakeholders anchored on a five point agenda of this report. Today, India is already a leader in the IT-ITES sector with more than 50% share of the global outsourcing market.

Payment of correct roaming charges

3215. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether many private mobile service providers are not correctly paying the roaming charges to BSNL as a result BSNL incurred losses to the extent of Rs. 300 crore;

(b) whether BSNL has issued notices to various service providers in six circles; and

(c) if so, the details of defaulting mobile service providers, circle-wise and the amount due to BSNL and Government from each service provider?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT): (a) Sir, according to Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL), many mobile service providers are not correctly paying the charges to BSNL for use of its signaling network for roaming purposes.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. BSNL has issued the notices to various private mobile service providers. The circle-wise details of the bills raised by BSNL to various mobile service providers on this count are given in the Statement (See below). Some of the private operators have challenged the bills upon them in the Hon'ble TDSAT.