

(b) whether keeping in view the importance of Kishangarh, Railways would accord it the status of sub-urban station of Ajmer Sharif; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MUKUL ROY) : (a) No, Sir. Kishangarh is about 28 kilometres from Ajmer Station on Delhi-Ajmer-Jaipur route.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. Ministry of Railways notifies certain sections as 'suburban sections'. Individual stations are not notified as suburban. A station may however fall on a section declared as Suburban.

#### **Dues payable by Private Telecom Operators**

\*248. DR. T.N. SEEMA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the private telecom service providers are receiving any money from Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF);

(b) if so, the quantum of money received by each service provider; and

(c) the dues payable by each of the private telecom operators to Government by way of licence fees, taxes, duties and other levies?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Private telecom service providers are being given subsidy from Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) to provide telecom services in rural and remote areas. The amount disbursed to private service providers from USOF since its inception and upto 29.02.2012 is given in Statement-I (*See below*).

(c) The licence fee and spectrum usage charge dues outstanding from Private Service Providers who have received subsidy from USOF are given in Statement-II.

#### **Statement I**

*Details of subsidy amount disbursed to Private Telecom Service providers from USOF up to 29-02-2012*

Sl. No.	Name of Telecom Service Provider	Subsidy disbursed from USOF (Rupees in Crore)
1	2	3
1.	BAL (Bharti Airtel Limited)	0.44
2.	DWL (Dishnet Wireless Limited)	4.55



1	2	3
3.	GTL (GTL Infrastructure Limited)	24.71
4.	HFCL (Himachal Futuristic Communication Limited)	0.16
5.	KEC (KEC International Limited)	23.42
6.	QTL (Quippo Telecom Infrastructure Limited)	1.20
7.	RCIL (Reliance Communications Infrastructure Limited)	16.22
8.	RCL (Reliance Communications Limited)	0.11
9.	RIL (Reliance Infocomm Limited)	752.52
10.	RTL (Reliance Telecommunication Limited)	0.35
11.	SSTL (Sistema Shyam Teleservice Limited)	0.55
12.	TTSL (Tata Teleservices Limited)	723.43
13.	TERI (The Energy Resource of India)	0.43
14.	TTML {Tata Teleservices (Maharashtra) Limited}	315.62
15.	VECL (Vodafone Essar Cellular Limited)	4.31
16.	VESL (Vodafone Essar South Limited)	11.52
GRAND TOTAL		1879.54

***Statement II***

*Dues payable by Private Service Providers towards Licence Fee and Spectrum Charges*

Sl. No.	Name of Telecom Service Provider	Licence Fee outstanding upto 3rd quarter of 2011-12 (Rupees in Crore)	Amount of outstanding spectrum charges upto FY 2007-08 (including interest thereof upto 20.02.2012) (Rupees in Crore)
1	2	3	4
1.	BAL (Bharti Airtel Limited)	17.67	135.07
2.	DWL (Dishnet Wireless Limited)	18.91	1.64



1	2	3	4
3.	GTL (GTL Infrastructure Limited)	-	N/A
4.	HFCL (Himachal Futuristic Communication Limited)	-	8.99
5.	KEC (KEC International Limited)	-	N/A
6.	QTIL (Quippo Telecom Infrastructure Limited)	-	N/A
7.	RCIL (Reliance Communications Infrastructure Limited)	-	N/A
8.	RCL (Reliance Communications Limited)	51.12	181.02
9.	RIL (Reliance Infocomm Limited)	-	
10.	RTL (Reliance Telecommunication Limited)	0.50	1.28
11.	SSTL (Sistema Shyam Teleservice Limited)	-	3.77
12.	TTSL (Tata Teleservices Limited)	-	86.20
13.	TERI (The Energy Resource of India)	-	N/A
14.	TTML [Tata Teleservices (Maharashtra) Limited]	-	76.71
15.	VECL (Vodafone Essar Cellular Limited)	-	Nil
16.	VESL (Vodafone Essar South Limited)	-	Nil

#### Effect of rise in temperature on crop yield

\*249. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware that crop yields will drop by 20 to 40 per cent due to the rise in temperature by 2025 in some parts of the world;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken to set right the situation in future in consultation with State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR) : (a) and (b) There are a number of reports by several organizations and authors about the possible impacts of climate change in general, and rise in temperature in particular, on global agriculture. Publications such as those by Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change (2007) and Universal Ecological Fund (2011) indicate such impacts on some crops in different regions of the world.