

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1438
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4TH JULY, 2019**

REVIVAL OF MTNL AND BSNL

**1438. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR:
SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that BSNL and MTNL are finding it difficult to remain in competition in telecom market;
- (b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to improve both the organizations;
- (c) whether Government is planning to improve the financial health of both the PSUs; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS, LAW & JUSTICE AND
ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)**

(a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) are facing financial stress due to fierce competition in telecom market, high staff cost and lack of 4G services (except in few places for BSNL).

(b) to (d) Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad and M/s Deloitte were engaged to facilitate the preparation of the revival/restructuring plan of BSNL and MTNL respectively. Pursuant to their recommendations and approval of respective Boards, a comprehensive revival plan for BSNL and MTNL is under preparation.
