## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1435 ANSWERED ON-04.07.2019

Proposal to lay off BSNL employees

1435 Shri Dhiraj Prasad Sahu

- (a) whether the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is incurring heavy losses and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it has reportedly approved the proposal to lay off over 54,000 employees; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) Details of losses incurred by Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) during the last five years are as under: (Rs. in crore)

Year 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18 2018-19\* Loss 8234 4859 4793 7993 14202

- \* provisional and unaudited
- (b) & (c) BSNL has informed that no proposal to lay off over 54,000 employees has been approved by BSNL.

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA** 

## MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1426 ANSWERED ON-04.07.2019

Revenue from enterprises division of BSNL

1426 Shri K. R. Arjunan

- (a) whether BSNL has collected a record of `6,500 crore in revenue from enterprises division;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that BSNL has been ailing because of high revenue to wage ratio;
- (d) whether it is also a fact that BSNL has the lowest debt of `14,000 crore among all telecom operators; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

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

- (a)&(b) Income of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) from Enterprise Business during FY 2018-19 is Rs. 2967.26 crore (unaudited and provisional).
- (c) The Salary to Revenue ratio of BSNL for the last five years is as under:

Particulars 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18 2018-19\* Employee Benefits Expenses/ Salary (Rs. in crore) 14963 15369 15715 14837 14488 Revenue (Rs. in crore) 28645 32411 31533 25071 19308 Salary to Revenue ratio(%) 52 48 50 59 75

(d) & (e) BSNL has informed that as on 31.03.2019, it has a debt of Rs.16,788 crore, which is the lowest among major telecom operators.

<sup>\*</sup> provisional and unaudited