

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

DEMAND NO. 13

Department of Telecommunications*(In ₹ crores)*

	Actual 2023-2024			Budget 2024-2025			Revised 2024-2025			Budget 2025-2026		
	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total
Gross	33067.19	62455.72	95522.91	38475.54	93152.44	131627.98	57169.79	82646.52	139816.31	35851.50	73784.76	109636.26
Recoveries	-5323.95	-3075.54	-8399.49	-10500.00	-8656.18	-19156.18	-7200.00	-7651.23	-14851.23	-6400.00	-22000.01	-28400.01
Receipts	-239.48	...	-239.48	-556.37	...	-556.37	-556.37	...	-556.37	-231.01	...	-231.01
Net	27503.76	59380.18	86883.94	27419.17	84496.26	111915.43	49413.42	74995.29	124408.71	29220.49	51784.75	81005.24
A. The Budget allocations, net of recoveries and receipts, are given below:												
CENTRE'S EXPENDITURE												
Establishment Expenditure of the Centre												
1. Secretariat -Economic Services	911.34	11.80	923.14	958.83	27.31	986.14	1114.53	64.44	1178.97	1132.19	162.12	1294.31
2. Pensions	17373.18	...	17373.18	17510.00	...	17510.00	19306.00	...	19306.00	20133.42	...	20133.42
3. Labour Employment and Skill Development	0.01	...	0.01	0.40	...	0.40	0.40	...	0.40	0.40	...	0.40
4. <i>Regulatory Bodies</i>												
4.01 Telecom Regulatory Authority of India General Fund	112.00	199.90	311.90	100.00	10.00	110.00	108.00	22.00	130.00	130.00	1.00	131.00
4.02 Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT)	27.96	0.28	28.24	23.20	0.50	23.70	26.98	2.20	29.18	28.94	0.77	29.71
<i>Total- Regulatory Bodies</i>	<i>139.96</i>	<i>200.18</i>	<i>340.14</i>	<i>123.20</i>	<i>10.50</i>	<i>133.70</i>	<i>134.98</i>	<i>24.20</i>	<i>159.18</i>	<i>158.94</i>	<i>1.77</i>	<i>160.71</i>
5. Human Resource Management	11.23	25.00	36.23	12.00	10.58	22.58	27.50	28.58	56.08	65.78	62.46	128.24
6. Special Assistance for Swachhta Action Plan	1.26	...	1.26	2.00	...	2.00	2.00	...	2.00	2.00	...	2.00
7. Mandatory Testing and Certification of Telecom Equipment (MTCTE)	0.66	...	0.66	1.20	0.20	1.40	1.20	0.20	1.40	1.20	0.20	1.40
8. Construction of Office Building	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4.00	4.00	...	4.00	4.00
9. Sampann 2.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5.00	5.00
Total-Establishment Expenditure of the Centre	18437.64	236.98	18674.62	18607.63	48.59	18656.22	20586.61	121.42	20708.03	21493.93	235.55	21729.48
Central Sector Schemes/Projects												
Universal Service Obligation Fund												
10. <i>Compensation to Service Providers for creation and augmentation of telecom infrastructure</i>												
10.01 Transfer to Universal Service Obligation (USO) Fund	1000.00	1000.00	2000.00	1000.00	1000.00	2000.00	7200.00	1000.00	8200.00	4000.00	16000.00	20000.00
10.02 Compensation to Telecom Service Providers	5276.48	...	5276.48	10100.00	...	10100.00	7000.00	...	7000.00	6000.00	...	6000.00
10.03 Bharatnet	...	3075.54	3075.54	...	8500.00	8500.00	...	6500.00	6500.00	...	22000.00	22000.00

(In ₹ crores)

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	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total
10.04 R&D (Revenue)	28.48	...	28.48	400.00	...	400.00	200.00	...	200.00	400.00	...	400.00
10.05 Amount met from Universal Service Obligation (USO) Fund	-5304.96	-3075.54	-8380.50	-10500.00	-8500.00	-19000.00	-7200.00	-1000.00	-8200.00	-4000.00	-16000.00	-20000.00
<i>Net</i>	<i>1000.00</i>	<i>1000.00</i>	<i>2000.00</i>	<i>1000.00</i>	<i>1000.00</i>	<i>2000.00</i>	<i>7200.00</i>	<i>6500.00</i>	<i>13700.00</i>	<i>6400.00</i>	<i>22000.00</i>	<i>28400.00</i>
11. Additional Transfer to Reserve Fund												
11.01 Universal Service Obligation Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	10300.00	...	10300.00	...	...	...
12. Additional Amount met from Reserve Fund												
12.01 Universal Service Obligation Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-5500.00	-5500.00	-2400.00	-6000.00	-8400.00
Total-Universal Service Obligation Fund	1000.00	1000.00	2000.00	1000.00	1000.00	2000.00	17500.00	1000.00	18500.00	4000.00	16000.00	20000.00
Defence Spectrum												
13. Optical Fibre Cable based network for Defence Services												
13.01 Optical Fibre Cable based network for Defence Services	...	1093.44	1093.44	...	...	...	...	1315.96	1315.96	...	1456.25	1456.25
DoT Projects												
14. Domestic Industry Incentivisation Scheme	413.17	...	413.17	1910.80	...	1910.80	1539.82	...	1539.82	2006.34	...	2006.34
15. Wireless Planning and Coordination												
15.01 Wireless Planning and Coordination	18.93	...	18.93	20.86	163.24	184.10	27.70	76.44	104.14	22.63	25.00	47.63
15.02 Wireless Monitoring Services	49.06	20.31	69.37	54.14	61.76	115.90	58.01	109.08	167.09	47.85	54.00	101.85
<i>Total- Wireless Planning and Coordination</i>	<i>67.99</i>	<i>20.31</i>	<i>88.30</i>	<i>75.00</i>	<i>225.00</i>	<i>300.00</i>	<i>85.71</i>	<i>185.52</i>	<i>271.23</i>	<i>70.48</i>	<i>79.00</i>	<i>149.48</i>
16. Telecom Engineering Centre	...	0.02	0.02	...	0.17	0.17	...	0.37	0.37	...	0.37	0.37
17. Telecom Testing and Security Certification Centre	...	1.88	1.88	...	6.00	6.00	...	11.65	11.65	...	8.00	8.00
18. Telecom Computer Emergency Response Team(T-Cert)	...	191.46	191.46	...	8.54	8.54	...	167.00	167.00	...	73.00	73.00
19. Funding to BSNL for providing Telecom Connectivity for Amamath Yatra	1.51	...	1.51	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00	1.00	...	1.00
20. 5G Connectivity Test Bed	4.46	...	4.46	2.92	...	2.92	4.51	...	4.51	...	...	...
21. Digital Intelligence Unit Project	...	50.00	50.00	...	85.00	85.00	...	85.71	85.71	...	52.00	52.00
22. Establishment of Satellite Gateway (Assistance to BSNL)	...	1.05	1.05	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
23. Prevention of Spoofed Incoming International Calls System 'CIOR'	...	...	...	...	38.76	38.76	...	16.00	16.00	...	7.50	7.50
24. Unified Portal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5.01	5.01	...	10.00	10.00
Total-DoT Projects	487.13	264.72	751.85	1989.72	363.47	2353.19	1631.04	471.26	2102.30	2077.82	229.87	2307.69
Total-Central Sector Schemes/Projects	1487.13	2358.16	3845.29	2989.72	1363.47	4353.19	19131.04	2787.22	21918.26	6077.82	17686.12	23763.94
Other Central Sector Expenditure												
Autonomous Bodies												
25. Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DoT)	590.00	...	590.00	500.00	...	500.00	500.00	...	500.00	400.00	...	400.00
Public Sector Undertakings												
26. Support to Public Sector Undertakings												
26.01 Financial Support to Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited on account of MAT/Refund of	383.22	...	383.22	311.74	...	311.74	311.74	...	311.74

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	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total
26.02	CDMA Spectrum/Payment of interest on MTNL Bonds/FTTH	865.00	...	865.00	3668.97	...	3668.97	3668.97	...	3668.97	...	...
26.03	Payments of Principal amount of MTNL bonds	154.29	...	154.29	...	168.00	168.00	...	59.00	59.00	...	105.50
26.04	Financial Relief / Infusion to Indian Telephone Industries Limited	...	56785.04	56785.04	...	82916.20	82916.20	...	72027.65	72027.65	...	33757.58
26.05	Capital infusion in BSNL	2127.42	...	2127.42	0.01	...	0.01	3822.16	...	3822.16	0.01	...
26.06	Implementation of Voluntary Retirement Scheme (BSNL/MTNL)	2218.00	...	2218.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
26.07	Grants-in-aid to BSNL for payment of GST	1200.00	...	1200.00	1200.00	...	1200.00	1200.00	...	1200.00	1200.00	...
26.08	Viability Gap Funding	239.48	...	239.48	556.37	...	556.37	556.37	...	556.37	231.01	...
26.09	Waiver of Guarantee fee to BSNL/MTNL	-239.48	...	-239.48	-556.37	...	-556.37	-556.37	...	-556.37	-231.01	...
26.10	Less Receipts	...	...	...	...	156.18	156.18	...	1151.23	1151.23	...	0.01
26.11	Loans to MTNL on invocation of Government Guarantee	...	...	...	...	-156.18	-156.18	...	-1151.23	-1151.23	...	-0.01
	Amount met from Guarantee Redemption Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	<i>Net</i>	6947.93	56785.04	63732.97	5180.72	83084.20	88264.92	9002.87	72086.65	81089.52	1200.01	33863.08
	Others											
27.	International Cooperation	41.06	...	41.06	141.10	...	141.10	192.90	...	192.90	48.73	...
	Total-Other Central Sector Expenditure	7578.99	56785.04	64364.03	5821.82	83084.20	88906.02	9695.77	72086.65	81782.42	1648.74	33863.08
	Grand Total	27503.76	59380.18	86883.94	27419.17	84496.26	111915.43	49413.42	74995.29	124408.71	29220.49	51784.75
	81005.24											
	B. Developmental Heads											
	General Services											
1.	Pensions and other Retirement Benefits	17373.18	...	17373.18	17510.00	...	17510.00	19306.00	...	19306.00	20133.42	...
	Total-General Services	17373.18	...	17373.18	17510.00	...	17510.00	19306.00	...	19306.00	20133.42	...
	Social Services											
2.	Labour, Employment and Skill Development	0.01	...	0.01	0.40	...	0.40	0.40	...	0.40	0.40	...
	Total-Social Services	0.01	...	0.01	0.40	...	0.40	0.40	...	0.40	0.40	...
	Economic Services											
3.	Other Communication Services	9219.23	...	9219.23	7889.94	...	7889.94	28242.49	...	28242.49	7314.48	...
4.	Secretariat-Economic Services	911.34	...	911.34	958.83	...	958.83	1114.53	...	1114.53	1132.19	...
5.	Capital Outlay on Telecommunication and Electronic Industries	...	...	...	...	168.00	168.00	...	59.00	59.00	...	105.50
6.	Capital Outlay on Other Communication Services	...	59380.18	59380.18	...	83478.26	83478.26	...	74154.69	74154.69	...	49333.62
7.	Loans for Telecommunication and Electronic Industries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total-Economic Services	10130.57	59380.18	69510.75	8848.77	83646.26	92495.03	29357.02	74213.69	103570.71	8446.67	49439.12
	Others											
8.	North Eastern Areas	1060.00	...	1060.00	750.00	...	750.00	640.00	...
9.	Capital Outlay on North Eastern Areas	850.00	850.00	...	781.60	781.60	...	2345.63

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	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total
Total-Others	...	...	...	1060.00	850.00	1910.00	750.00	781.60	1531.60	640.00	2345.63	2985.63
Grand Total	27503.76	59380.18	86883.94	27419.17	84496.26	111915.43	49413.42	74995.29	124408.71	29220.49	51784.75	81005.24
	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total
C. Investment in Public Enterprises												
1. Indian Telephone Industries Limited	154.29	36.24	190.53	168.00	100.00	268.00	59.00	29.21	88.21	105.50	12.61	118.11
2. Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited	...	87.63	87.63	156.18	8571.08	8727.26	1151.23	...	1151.23	0.01	...	0.01
3. C DOT	...	406.64	406.64	...	110.00	110.00	...	150.00	150.00	...	150.00	150.00
4. Telecommunications Consultant India Limited	...	5.76	5.76	...	313.00	313.00	...	18.70	18.70	...	102.20	102.20
5. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited	56785.04	513.40	57298.44	82916.20	500.00	83416.20	72027.65	500.00	72527.65	33757.58	500.00	34257.58
Total	56939.33	1049.67	57989.00	83240.38	9594.08	92834.46	73237.88	697.91	73935.79	33863.09	764.81	34627.90

Note: The total net allocation for this demand in BE 2025-26 is ₹ 89,405.24 crore (₹ 81,005.24 crore plus ₹ 8,400 crore). The additional provision of ₹ 8,400 crore is met from the balance available under Universal Service Obligation Fund and will be utilized for schemes viz. Compensation to Telecom Service Providers Bharatnet and Research Development.

1. **Secretariat -Economic Services:** The provision is for expenditure on the Secretariat of the Ministry of Communications for the portion relating to Department of Telecommunications and Directorate - General Administration which includes CCAs/TERMs Units, Telecom Engineering Centre, Administrator USO Fund and Centralized Monitoring System.

2. **Pensions:** The provision is for pensionary benefits of the employees of the Department of Telecommunications including employees absorbed in Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. and employees of Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited with effect from 1.4.2014.

3. **Labour Employment and Skill Development:** The provision is for pilot scheme to open Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Sanchar Kaushal Vikas Prathishthan.

4. **Regulatory Bodies:** The provision is for transfer to Telecom Regulatory Authority of India General Fund and construction of Office Building of the Authority. The provision is for expenditure relating to Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal.

5. **Human Resource Management:** The provision is for operational expenses of National Institute of Communication Finance (NICF) and for imparting training.

6. **Special Assistance for Swachhta Action Plan:** This provision is for special assistance for Swachhta Action Plan.

7. **Mandatory Testing and Certification of Telecom Equipment (MTCTE):** The provision is for Mandatory Testing and Certification of Telecom Equipment.

8. **Construction of Office Building:** The Provision is for Construction of DoT Building.

9. **Sampann 2.0:** The Provision is for SAMPANN 2.0.

10. **Compensation to Service Providers for creation and augmentation of telecom infrastructure:** The provision is for providing compensation to telecom service providers for creation and augmentation of telecom infrastructure and access to various telecom services to people in the rural and remote areas including operation and maintenance of Village Public Telephones. This also includes provision for development of North Eastern Region. Provision towards transfer to Universal Service Obligation Fund is also included. The allocation under the scheme includes ₹ 11.89 crores in RE 2024-25 and ₹ 100 crore in BE 2025-26 for Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM - JANMAN). The allocation under the scheme includes ₹ 50 crores in RE 2024-25 and ₹ 125 crores in BE 2025-26 for Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan.

10.03. **Bharatnet:** The provision is for Bharatnet project towards creation of telecom infrastructure required for providing broadband connectivity to all the Gram Panchayats in the country and facilitating non-discriminatory access to service providers, for provisioning of broadband services in rural areas. This scheme is financed through Universal Service Obligation Fund.

10.04. **R&D (Revenue):** It will promote R&D and commercialization of technologies and solutions to enable affordable broadband and mobile service proliferation in rural and remote areas. This scheme is financed through Universal Service Obligation Fund.

11.01. **Universal Service Obligation Fund:** Additional Transfers made to Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) in Public Account.

12.01. **Universal Service Obligation Fund:** Additional amounts of ₹ 5500 crore and ₹ 8400 crore have been met in RE 2024-25 and BE 2025-26 respectively from the balances available under Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) in Public Account.

13. **Optical Fibre Cable based network for Defence Services:** The provision is for providing Optical Fibre Cable Based Network for Defence Services.

14. **Domestic Industry Incentivisation Scheme:** The provision in BE 2025-26 is ₹ 2006.34 crore for Technology Development and Investment Promotion (₹ 39.74 crore), Champion Service Sector Scheme (₹ 1.10 crore) and Production Linked Incentive Scheme (₹ 1965.50 crore) .

15. **Wireless Planning and Coordination:** (i) The provision is for expenditure relating to Wireless Planning and Co-ordination Wing. This Wing issues licenses under various provisions of Indian Wireless Telegraph Act, 1885 for transmitting and receiving stations and conducts examinations for wireless operators as per international standards; and (ii) The provision is for expenditure of Wireless Monitoring Organization, which provides for technical and allied data on the basis of monitoring observations for radio frequency management, enforcement of national and international radio regulations and for carrying out certain statutory functions under the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 and rules made thereunder as also for keeping round the clock watch on radio transmissions for effective national radio frequency management. This includes provision towards civil works.

16. **Telecom Engineering Centre:** The provision is for Telecom Engineering Centre.

17. **Telecom Testing and Security Certification Centre:** The provision is for Telecom Testing and Security Certification Centre.

18. **Telecom Computer Emergency Response Team(T-Cert):** The provision is for Telecom Computer Emergency Response Team.

19. **Funding to BSNL for providing Telecom Connectivity for Amarnath Yatra:** The provision is for funding to BSNL for providing Telecom Connectivity for Amarnath Yatra.

20. **5G Connectivity Test Bed:** The provision is for 5G connectivity Test Bed.

21. **Digital Intelligence Unit Project:** Digital Intelligence Unit (DIU) Project's objective is for investigating fraudulent activity involving telecom resources, such as Unsolicited Commercial Communication (UCC) etc.

22. **Establishment of Satellite Gateway (Assistance to BSNL):** The provision is for Establishment of Satellite Gateway (Assistance to BSNL).

23. **Prevention of Spoofed Incoming International Calls System 'CIOR':** Centralized International Out Roamer (CIOR) system for prevention of spoofed incoming international calls system for Indian telecom subscribers.

24. **Unified Portal:** The Provision is for Unified Portal.

25. **Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DoT):** The provision is for meeting the expenses of Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DoT).

26.01. **Financial Support to Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited on account of MAT/Refund of CDMA Spectrum/Payment of interest on MTNL Bonds/FTTH:** The provision is for payment of interest on bonds issued by MTNL in lieu of refund of Spectrum Charges/CDMA spectrum charges.

26.02. **Payments of Principal amount of MTNL bonds:** The provision is for payment of principal amount of MTNL bonds.

26.03. **Financial Relief / Infusion to Indian Telephone Industries Limited:** The provision is for providing financial relief/equity infusion to Indian Telephone Industries Limited

26.04. **Capital infusion in BSNL:** The provision is made for Capital infusion for technology upgradation and restructuring in BSNL.

26.05. **Implementation of Voluntary Retirement Scheme (BSNL/MTNL):** The provision is made for implementation of voluntary retirement Scheme (BSNL/MTNL).

26.06. **Grants-in-aid to BSNL for payment of GST:** The provision is made for Grant-in-aid to BSNL for payment of GST on allocation of 4G Spectrum.

26.07. **Viability Gap Funding:** The provision is for providing of Grant-in-aid to BSNL towards unviable rural wire-line operations.

26.08. **Waiver of Guarantee fee to BSNL/MTNL:** The provision is for waiver of guarantee fee payable on Sovereign Guarantee to BSNL/MTNL.

26.10. **Loans to MTNL on invocation of Government Guarantee:** The provision is against invocation of sovereign guarantee on the bonds raised by MTNL.

27. **International Cooperation:** The provision is for International Co-operation.