

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1822  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2015**

**PERSONS EMPLOYED IN BSNL**

**1822. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of persons employed in BSNL along with those who are in substantive posts;
- (b) the number of sanctioned posts;
- (c) the number of posts which are vacant;
- (d) whether casual labourers are working in BSNL, if so, their number as on 31 March, 2014;
- (e) how many of them are working in BSNL for more than twenty five years, for 15-25 years and 5-15 years, respectively; and
- (f) whether Government has any plan to regularize them considering their long service?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)**

- (a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has reported that there are 2,25,785 persons employed in substantive posts and 3469 persons engaged as casual labourers.
- (b) & (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.
- (d) & (e) As on 31.3.2014, 3469 number of casual labourers were working in BSNL. Of which details of persons working for more than twenty five years, for 15-25 years and 5-15 years are given below:

Persons working	Number of persons
For more than 25 years	153
For 15-25 years	2213
For 5-15 years	1089

- (f) BSNL has informed that the law laid down in the judgment dated 10.04.2006 by a Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal Nos. 3595-3612 of 1999 in the matter of Secretary, State of Karnataka and Ors. Vs. Smt Uma Devi & Ors., the regularization of the existing casual labourers working in BSNL is not possible.

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