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## **Tenders Floated by BSNL**

Shri Milind Deora, the Minister of State for Communications and Information Technology informed Lok Sabha today in a written reply that the tender for procurement of 14.37 million Global System for Mobile (GSM) communication lines for expansion of 2G and 3G services has been floated by BSNL for the requirement of all its telecom circles except Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh which would get equipment under PSU Quota reserved for M/S ITI against this tender. Following bidders have participated in the bids:

- M/S Alcatel Lucent India Ltd
- M/S ZTE Telecom India Pvt. Ltd
- M/S Ericsson India Pvt. Ltd
- M/S Nokia Siemens Network Pvt. Ltd
- M/S HuaweiTelecommunication India Pvt. Ltd

The tenders-scrapped/cancelled are given below:

- 93 million-GSM lines tender floated in the year 2008 for all the telecom circles.
- 5.5 million GSM lines tender floated in the year 2010 fir the telecom circles of Nort & East zones.

Fresh tender has been floated based on revised requirements, the reply further stated.

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