

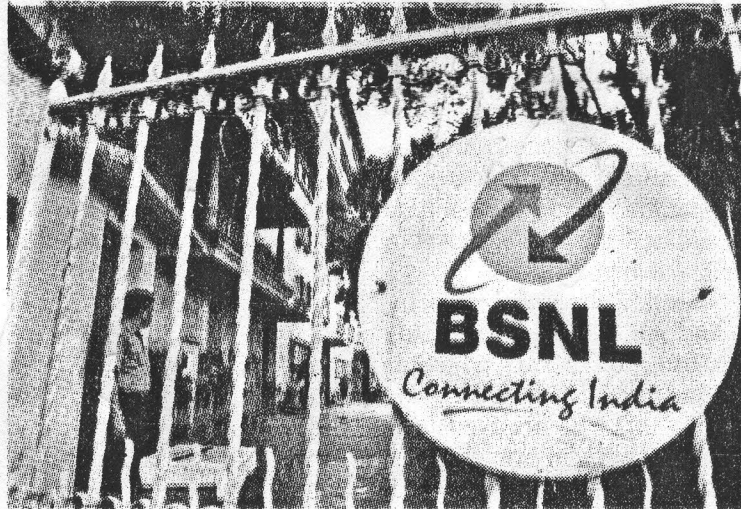
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BSNL selects Nokia to launch its 4G service in 10 circles

BARCELONA (SPAIN): State owned telecom firm BSNL on Monday signed a pact with Finnish telecom gear maker Nokia to roll out 4G services in 10 telecom circles covering western and southern regions in India.

"We are really proud to have technology partner like Nokia with whom we are working in South and West Zone of the country, rolling out the latest single RAN Technology, and further moving towards 5G...", BSNL CMD Anupam Shrivastava said in a statement.

Nokia will deploy the technology in 10 telecom circles in India - Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Goa, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala and Telangana - serving large cit-



ies, businesses, technology and tourist hubs and nearly 38 million BSNL subscribers.

The network technology that will be deployed by Nokia will help BSNL to save operational costs while supporting 2G, 3G

and 4G subscribers in a single radio unit, the statement said.

"New VoLTE services will allow BSNL's 4G subscribers to experience HD-quality voice and faster call connections," it added.

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