BSNL, MTNL Still to Recover ₹6,215 Cr From Customers

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Ailing state-run telecom companies Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd (MTNL) have total outstanding arrears of ₹6,215 crore from customers as on December 31, 2012, Communications & IT Minister Kapil Sibal has said.

Government offices and public representatives owe ₹19 crore to MTNL, which provides services in Delhi and Mumbai circles.

Sibal in a written reply to the Lok Sabha on Wednesday said, "BSNL has outstanding arrears of ₹5,188 crore from wireline and wireless customers while MTNL is having outstanding dues of ₹1,027 crore from customers as on December 31, 2012."

MTNL is having outstanding dues ₹14.76 crore in Delhi and ₹4.24 crore in Mumbai recoverable from government offices and public representatives, he said.