GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1199
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16th DECEMBER, 2022

OPERATIONAL BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY OF GRAM PANCHAYATS

1199   DR. KANIMOZHI NVN SOMU:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a)   the number of Gram Panchayats which have operational broadband connectivity under Digital India Mission, State/UT-wise;

(b)   the number of Gram Panchayats which are yet to get the broadband connectivity under the said Mission, State/UT-wise;

(c)   the number of Gram Panchayats having broadband connectivity under Digital Indian Mission in Tamil Nadu, district-wise; and

(d)   the number of Gram Panchayats which are yet to get the broadband connectivity under the Mission in Tamil Nadu, district-wise?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)

(a) & (b)   The State/UT-wise number of Gram Panchayats which have operational broadband connectivity and the number of Gram Panchayats which are yet to get the broadband connectivity under BharatNet project is given in table at **Annexure-I**.

(c) & (d)   The district-wise number of Gram Panchayats having broadband connectivity and the number of Gram Panchayats which are yet to get the broadband connectivity in Tamil Nadu under BharatNet project is given in table at **Annexure-II**.

Annexure referred to in Part (a & b) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1199 for answer on 16.12.2022

State/UT-wise number of Gram Panchayats which have operational broadband connectivity and number of Gram Panchayats which are yet to get the broadband connectivity under BharatNet project

S. No.	States/UTs	Total no. of Gram Panchayats	No. of GPs where BharatNet connectivity provided	No. of GPs where BharatNet connectivity yet to be provided	No. of GPs operational as on 13.12.2022
1	Assam	2665	1511	1154	537
2	Bihar	8404	8316	88	3113
3	Chhattisgarh*	11676	9451	2225	4473
4	Haryana	6256	6082	174	3608
5	Jammu & Kashmir	4299	1091	3208	427
6	Karnataka	6090	6084	6	3135
7	Kerala	978	978	0	874
8	Madhya Pradesh	22841	17776	5065	3033
9	Maharashtra*	28238	23597	4641	9482
10	Punjab	13337	12668	669	10321
11	Rajasthan	11352	8770	2582	7252
12	Uttar Pradesh	59365	39818	19547	5092
13	Uttarakhand	7936	1760	6176	985
14	West Bengal	3348	2507	841	1831
15	Sikkim	185	26	159	8
16	Chandigarh	12	12	0	12
17	Lakshadweep	10	9	1	3
18	Arunachal Pradesh	1796	769	1027	128
19	Nagaland	983	232	751	23
20	Manipur	2782	1458	1324	284
21	Mizoram	762	452	310	60
22	Tripura	1114	727	387	236
23	Meghalaya	1792	681	1111	98
24	Gujarat*	14288	14227	61	10056
25	Daman & Diu	18	18	0	
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	20	20	0	18
27	Puducherry	110	98	12	83
28	Andhra Pradesh*	13420	4281	9139	1740
29	Telangana*	12769	8716	4053	4420
30	Odisha*	6796	6779	17	3858
31	Jharkhand*	4399	4335	64	1827
32	Himachal Pradesh	3616	408	3208	267
33	Ladakh	193	192	1	40
34	Goa#	191	0	191	0
35	Tamil Nadu*$	12524	499	12025	294
37	Andaman & Nicobar	70	51	19	**49**
	Total	**264635**	**184399**	**80236**	**77667**

*The Phase-II is being implemented under State-Led model in these States.

*$Tamil Nadu State Government signed the MoU with Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) on 31.03.2017 for implementation of BharatNet project. Phase-I of BharatNet was accordingly not taken up in Tamil Nadu and the State's GPs are being implemented in Phase-II under State-Led model.

Goa had its own similar broadband network and thus not taken up under Ph-I & Phase-II of BharatNet Project.

Note: Delhi has no GPs and thus not taken up under BharatNet Project.

Annexure referred to in Part (c & d) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1199 for answer on 16.12.2022

District-wise number of Gram Panchayats having broadband connectivity and number of Gram Panchayats which are yet to get the broadband connectivity in Tamil Nadu under BharatNet project

S. No	District	Total no. of Gram Panchayats	No. of GPs where BharatNet connectivity provided	No. of GPs where BharatNet connectivity yet to be provided
1	Ariyalur	201		201
2	CHENGALPATTU	359	64	295
3	COIMBATORE	228		228
4	CUDDALORE	683		683
5	DHARMAPURI	251		251
6	DINDIGUL	306	72	234
7	ERODE	225		225
8	KALLAKURICHI	412		412
9	KANCHIPURAM	274		274
10	KANNIYAKUMARI	95	15	80
11	KARUR	157		157
12	KRISHNAGIRI	333	67	266
13	MADURAI	420	52	368
14	NAGAPATTINAM	434	7	427
15	NAMAKKAL	322		322
16	PERAMBALUR	121		121
17	PUDUKKOTTAI	497	3	494
18	RAMANATHAPURAM	429	10	419
19	Ranipet	288		288
20	SALEM	385		385
21	SIVAGANGA	445	42	403
22	TENKASI	221	20	201
23	THANJAVUR	589	117	472
24	THE NILGIRIS	35		35
25	THENI	130	24	106
26	THIRUVALLUR	526	13	513
27	THIRUVARUR	430	98	332
28	TIRUCHIRAPPALLI	404	78	326
29	TIRUNELVELI	204	47	157
30	Tirupathur	204		204
31	TIRUPPUR	265		265
32	TIRUVANNAMALAI	860	8	852
33	TUTICORIN	403	14	389
34	VELLORE	251		251
35	VILLUPURAM	688		688
36	VIRUDHUNAGAR	450	12	438
37	GPs under reconciliation	-1		
	Total	**12524**	**763**	**11761**

* 1 GP is under reconciliation due to merger/ creation of GP.

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