GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2254 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH MARCH, 2025

EXPANSION OF 5G NETWORK IN THE COUNTRY

2254 SHRI SAMIRUL ISLAM:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages and towns covered under the 5G mobile network in the country, Statewise;
- (b) the total number of mobile connections across the country for each of the last five years; and
- (c) the total number of Wi-Fi connection subscribers in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. PEMMASANI CHANDRA SEKHAR)

- (a) Since its launch in October 2022, 5G services have been rolled out in all States/ UTs across the country and presently it is available in 99.6% of the districts in the country. As on 28.02.2025, 4.69 lakhs 5G Base Transceiver Stations (BTSs) have been installed by the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) across the country which is one of the fastest rollout of 5G network. State-wise number of districts and villages covered under the 5G mobile network is given in **Annexure-I.**
- (b) The total number of wireless subscribers across the country for the past five years is given below:

S. No.	Period ending	Wireless Subscribers (in crores)
1	31.03.2020	115.77
2	31.03.2021	118.09
3	31.03.2022	114.20
4	31.03.2023	114.39
5	31.03.2024	116.54

(c) The total Internet subscribers as on September 2024 are 97.15 crores and this comprises of 4.36 crores wired Internet subscribers and 92.78 crores wireless Internet subscribers. Besides, as on September 2024, there are 7,23,339 Wi-Fi subscribers.

Annexure-I

Annexure to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2254 to be answered on 20.03.2025. **State-wise number of Districts and villages where 5G BTSs have been installed:**

State	Number of Districts where 5G has been rolled out	Number of villages where 5G BTSs have been installed
Andhra Pradesh	26	3,797
Arunachal Pradesh	27	108
Assam	35	1,757
Bihar	38	4,601
Chhattisgarh	33	1,362
Goa	2	111
Gujarat	33	4,842
Haryana	22	2,538
Himachal Pradesh	12	1,192
Jharkhand	24	1,642
Karnataka	31	3,750
Kerala	14	925
Madhya Pradesh	55	3,686
Maharashtra	36	6,910
Manipur	14	214
Meghalaya	12	182
Mizoram	11	45
Nagaland	16	114
Odisha	30	2,934
Punjab	23	2,669
Rajasthan	41	5,393
Sikkim	6	98
Tamil Nadu	38	3,211
Telangana	33	2,145
Tripura	8	108
Uttar Pradesh	75	8,451
Uttarakhand	13	845
West Bengal	23	4,521
