

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2085
ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER, 2025**

EXPANSION OF 4G AND 5G MOBILE COVERAGE IN ODISHA

2085 SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

the details of steps taken to expand 4G and 5G mobile coverage in remote tribal and forested districts of Odisha under the Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF)?

ANSWER

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

Mobile services in an area are provided by Telecom Service Providers based on their techno-commercial viability. Government has been undertaking various schemes through Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN) for 4G Mobile coverage across the country including remote, tribal & forested districts of Odisha.

3,389 Mobile towers have been made on air as on 30.11.2025 providing 4G mobile services to the 4,965 uncovered villages/locations in Odisha through DBN funded Mobile Schemes.
