GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 417
ANSWERED ON 03.12.2025

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF INTERNET/E-PANCHAYAT FACILITY

417. SHRI SANT BALBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to State:

(a) the current status of progress made to provide internet/e-panchayat facilities in all panchayats across the country;
(b) how many panchayats in Punjab have been provided with internet/e-panchayat facilities for the enhancement of e-governance and public convenience; and
(c) the timeline for full implementation of internet/e-panchayat facilities in the remaining panchayats of Punjab?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ

(SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)

(a) & (b) Under the Digital India Programme, the Ministry of Panchayati Raj is implementing the e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project (MMP) across all States and Union Territories (UTs) of the country. This initiative aims to revamp the functioning of Panchayats, making them more transparent, accountable, and effective. As part of this initiative, the Ministry is operating the eGramSwaraj, an online planning and accounting application designed to simplify Panchayat activities such as planning, budgeting and accounting. The Ministry has also integrated eGramSwaraj with the Public Financial Management System (PFMS) for Gram Panchayats (GPs) to make online payments to vendors/service providers. Panchayats use the eGramSwaraj portal to prepare and upload annual Panchayat Development Plans. The progress made by States, including Punjab, under eGramSwaraj during the year 2024-25 is provided in **Annexure-I**.

Further, to attain the vision of Digital India, the Bharat Net project is being implemented by Department of Telecommunications (DoT) in a phased manner to provide broadband connectivity to all Gram Panchayats in the country. So far, out of a total of 2.69 lakh Gram Panchayats/ Traditional Local Bodies (TLBs), 2.18 lakh GPs/TLBs have been made service-ready for providing high-speed internet services under the BharatNet project. To further improve digital connectivity, the Amended Bharat Net Programme was approved by the Cabinet on 04.08.2023 for the upgradation of the existing network of Bharat Net Phase -I and Phase-II and the creation of a network in the remaining Gram Panchayats.

The number of service-ready points in the Gram Panchayats, including Punjab, under the BharatNet Project of the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) may be seen in

Annexure-II. The data on service-ready GPs is sourced from the BharatNet UNMS Dashboard.

(c) All States are making efforts to implement e-Panchayat MMP, based on their available resources. However, due to difference in the level of preparedness of Panchayats across the country, States are at different stages of implementing these applications. Further, as per the information received from DoT the timeline for the completion of BharatNet project is March 2027.

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Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 417 answered on 03.12.2025 regarding 'Status of implementation of internet/e-Panchayat facility'.

Adoption of eGramSwaraj at Gram Panchayat level during FY 2024-25

S.No	State Name	Total Number of Village Panchayats & Equivalent	Village Panchayat onboard	Village Panchayats & Equivalent With Online Payment	Total Number of Block Panchayats & Equivalent	Block Panchayat onboard	Block Panchayats With Online Payment	Total Number of Zila Panchayats & Equivalent	Zila Panchayat onboard	Zila Panchayats With Online Payment
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	13328	13320	13002	660	660	645	13	13	13
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	2108	2108	426	0	0	0	27	26	11
3	ASSAM	2770	2235	2183	196	196	191	30	29	27
4	BIHAR	8054	8054	8046	534	534	531	38	38	38
5	CHHATTISGARH	11709	11700	11542	146	146	146	33	33	27
6	GOA	191	191	97	0	0	0	2	2	2
7	GUJARAT	14677	14666	14006	248	248	248	33	33	33
8	HARYANA	6227	6227	5979	143	143	134	22	22	22
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	3615	3615	3557	81	81	81	12	12	12
10	JHARKHAND	4345	4345	4335	264	264	263	24	24	24
11	KARNATAKA	5951	5951	5942	238	232	127	31	31	29
12	KERALA	941	941	941	152	152	152	14	14	14
13	MADHYA	23011	23011	22987	313	313	311	52	52	52

	PRADESH								
14	MAHARASHTRA	27955	27941	27027	351	351	312	34	34	34
15	MANIPUR	3175	161	125	0	0	0	12	6	4
16	MEGHALAYA	6828	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0
17	MIZORAM	844	841	832	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	NAGALAND	1311	984	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	ODISHA	6794	6794	6794	314	314	314	30	30	30
20	PUNJAB	13238	13234	10240	154	151	123	23	23	19
21	RAJASTHAN	11229	11226	10907	361	353	351	33	33	33
22	SIKKIM	199	199	195	0	0	0	6	6	6
23	TAMIL NADU	12525	12525	12520	388	388	388	36	36	36
24	TELANGANA	12994	12768	12648	572	542	514	32	32	32
25	TRIPURA	1194	1194	1175	75	75	75	9	9	9
26	UTTARAKHAND	7820	7790	7752	95	95	95	13	13	13
27	UTTAR PRADESH	57691	57691	57655	826	826	823	75	75	75
28	WEST BENGAL	3339	3339	3339	345	345	345	22	21	21
	Total	**264063**	**253051**	**244252**	**6456**	**6409**	**6169**	**659**	**650**	**616**

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State-wise Status of Gram Panchayats with Computers and Internet Connections

Sl. No	Name of the States/UTs	Total GPs/ TLBs (as per LGD)	Service Ready Points in GPs/TLBs for internet*
1	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	70	81
2	Andhra Pradesh	13325	12972
3	Arunachal Pradesh	2108	1145
4	Assam	2657	1634
5	Bihar	8053	8860
6	Chhattisgarh	11693	9759
7	Goa	191	0
8	Gujarat	14625	14563
9	Haryana	6230	6204
10	Himachal Pradesh*	3615	416
11	Jammu and Kashmir	4291	1115
12	Jharkhand	4347	4649
13	Karnataka	5949	6251
14	Kerala	941	1130
15	Ladakh	193	193
16	Lakshadweep	10	9
17	Madhya Pradesh	23011	18106
18	Maharashtra	27976	24778
19	Manipur	3812	1485
20	Meghalaya	6880	697
21	Mizoram	854	539
22	Nagaland	1327	236
23	Odisha	6794	7099
24	Puducherry	108	101
25	Punjab	13236	12807
26	Rajasthan	11071	8997
27	Sikkim	199	54
28	Tamil Nadu	12480	10843
29	Telangana	12760	10934
30	The Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	50	41
31	Tripura	1194	772
32	Uttar Pradesh	57695	47451
33	Uttarakhand	7817	2023
34	West Bengal	3339	2958
	Total	**268901**	**218902**

*The data is sourced from the BharatNet UNMS Dashboard, and some Gram Panchayats may have multiple service-ready points.