

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

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HIGH-SPEED INTERNET CONNECTIVITY IN GOA

1291 SHRI SADANAND MHALU SHET TANAVADE:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of high-speed internet infrastructure created in Goa under BharatNet and other schemes, including the number of Gram Panchayats, villages and Government institutions connected through optical fibre, district-wise;
- (b) the number of households, educational institutions, healthcare centres and Government offices in the State presently having access to high-speed internet services, along with the average internet speed being provided in urban and rural areas of the State; and
- (c) the year-wise details of funds allocated and utilised for broadband and high-speed internet infrastructure development in the State during the last five years?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Government of India has approved the Amended BharatNet Program (ABP) on 04.08.2023 for the upgradation of 2.65 lakh Gram Panchayats (GPs) across the country using ring topology, including 191 GPs spread across 12 blocks in Goa. The approved project cost under the ABP for Goa is Rs.170 crore. High-speed internet services are currently available in 356 of Goa's 392 villages through 4G/5G mobile networks. As per the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Report for June 2026, telecom service providers offer minimum download speeds ranging from 22 Mbps to 271 Mbps across Goa.
