

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1298
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EXPANSION OF DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY IN TELANGANA

1298 SHRI RAVI CHANDRA VADDIRAJU:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether BharatNet has been extended to Telangana's rural villages;
- (b) the steps taken to strengthen 5G rollout in Hyderabad IT corridor; and
- (c) whether postal services are being modernized in the districts of the State?

ANSWER

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

(a) Yes. The Government has approved the Amended BharatNet Program (ABP) under a design, built, operate and maintain model for upgradation of the existing BharatNet network, creation of network in balance Gram Panchayats (GPs) and Operation & Maintenance of GPs. The Government of India has approved the proposal of Government of Telangana and communicated in-principle approval to the Government of Telangana for implementation of ABP in the state.

(b) To strengthen 5G roll out in Hyderabad, more than 246 4G/5G sites including In-Building Solution sites deployed across IT parks including IT Corridor in Hyderabad.

(c) As part of the Department of Posts IT Modernization Project 2.0, all the Post Offices in Telangana Circle, comprising 36 Head Post Offices and 760 Sub Post Offices, have been migrated to the Advanced Postal Technology application, providing an integrated digital platform for delivery of various postal services. Further, through Core Banking Solution platform for Post Office Savings Bank, modern digital services, including ATM access, Direct Benefit Transfer payment, internet banking, mobile banking, NEFT/RTGS, e-Passbook, e-KYC, and UPI through India Post Payments Bank-Post Office Savings Account linkage, are also being provided in all Post Offices of Telangana. Besides, all the 5,427 Branch Post Offices in Telangana Postal Circle have also been provided with mobile devices equipped with the Digital Rural Enterprise Application for Mobile app for delivery of postal, banking and insurance services in rural areas. Centralized Delivery Centers have been established with mechanized delivery using vehicles to enhance last-mile delivery efficiency and service reliability. Further, 24/48 Speed Post services have been launched in six metro cities, including Hyderabad, for faster, guaranteed and time-bound delivery of Speed Post articles.
