

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 334
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th DECEMBER, 2018**

TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES IN ANDHRA PRADESH

334. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that there are some villages/habitations which do not have telecommunication facilities in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details of such villages and districts in which they are situated; and
- (c) efforts being made by the Ministry to cover those uncovered villages with communication facilities?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS &
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)**

(a) & (b) There are 2745 villages in Andhra Pradesh which are not covered by mobile services. The district-wise list is at **Annexure**.

(c) Mobile coverage in the uncovered villages is being provided in a phased manner, subject to availability of financial resources. Government has already approved the project for providing mobile services in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected area, North Eastern States and Islands. As part of LWE Phase-II project, Government has approved installing of 429 mobile towers in Andhra Pradesh. Under BharatNet in Andhra Pradesh, out of 12866 Gram Panchayats (GPs), 1160 GPs have been made service ready in Phase-I and remaining GPs are to be covered in Phase-II of BharatNet.

List of uncovered villages (District-wise)

Sl. No.	Name of District	Number of Uncovered villages
1	Anantapur	22
2	Chittoor	25
3	East Godavari	487
4	Guntur	6
5	Krishna	4
6	Kurnool	15
7	Prakasam	74
8	Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore	45
9	Srikakulam	147
10	Visakhapatnam	1546
11	Vizianagaram	307
12	West Godavari	30
13	Y.S.R.	37
	Total	2745
