

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE
(DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.3482
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 2nd JANUARY, 2019

e-Court Project-WAN

3482. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA :
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO :

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a contract had been awarded to BSNL to set up wide area network system under e-court Project-WAN with a cost of Rs.167 crores to provide net connectivity to 547 court complexes and 2992 district and subordinate court complexes across the country;
- (b) if so, the number of court complexes connected with WAN so far along with the State-wise details of the remaining courts ;
- (c) whether this has expedited the judicial process; and
- (d) if so, the percentage by which the judicial process has gathered momentum as a result thereof?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAW & JUSTICE AND
CORPORATE AFFAIRS
(SHRI P. P. CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d): Yes. A contract has been awarded to BSNL to set up Wide Area Network (WAN) to connect 2992 court complexes across the country. This includes 547 Court Complexes which do not have any internet connectivity at present. The total cost of the project is Rs.169 crore. The WAN project is part of the larger e-Courts Mission Mode Project implemented by the Government for Information and

Communication Technology enablement of district and subordinate courts across the country, in association with the eCommittee of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

BSNL submitted Circle wise Detailed Project Report (DPR) to Department of Justice. As per DPR, Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) needs to be laid at all the 2,992 project locations. So far, OFC has been laid at 2,135 court complexes. Implementation is monitored through an on-line WAN Implementation monitoring system which is updated on regular basis by the different Circles of BSNL.

So far, four district and subordinate Court Complexes in Punjab and one Court Complex in Rajasthan, has been connected on WAN, with minimum 10 Mbps bandwidth. State wise details are attached herewith at **Annexure -I.**

Annexure -I

Status of Wide Area Network (WAN) connectivity				
Sl.No	State/UT	To be completed	Completed	Yet to be completed
1	Maharashtra	461	0	461
2	Rajasthan	327	1	326
3	Tamilnadu	260	0	260
4	Madhya Pradesh	205	0	205
5	Karnataka	198	0	198
6	Andhra Pradesh	190	0	190
7	Kerala	171	0	171
8	Uttar Pradesh	169	0	169
9	Orissa	156	0	156
10	North East States	141	0	141
11	Telangana	106	0	106
12	West Bengal	99	0	99
13	Chhattisgarh	90	0	90
14	Jammu and Kashmir	84	0	84
15	Bihar	78	0	78
16	Punjab	67	4	63
17	Haryana	53	0	53
18	Uttarakhand	52	0	52
19	Himachal Pradesh	43	0	43
20	Jharkhand	28	0	28
21	Delhi	6	0	6
22	Andaman & Nicobar	5	0	5
23	Dadra Nagar Haveli	1	0	1
24	Daman and Diu	2	0	2
Total		2992	5	2987
