GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1255 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14TH DECEMBER, 2022

NO INTERNET CONNECTIVITY

1255. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any data regarding the total number of villages or areas in the country with no internet connectivity;

(b) if so, the details of such unconnected regions of Mandya;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that there is hundred percent internet connectivity across all villages of Mandya;

(d) whether any safety features have been enabled across the latest communication technology for safety of women and children in the country; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ensure its popularity across Mandya?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)

(a) As per data provided from Telecom Service Providers (TSPs), Department of Telecom's field unit and State Government as of March '2022, out of 6,44,131 villages (villages are as per data of Registrar General of India as of November 2019), around 6,05,230 number of villages are having mobile internet connectivity in the country and 38,901 villages are not having mobile internet connectivity.

(b) In the Mandya district of the State of Karnataka, out of 1,487 villages, around 1,464 number of villages are having mobile internet connectivity and 23 villages are not having any mobile coverage. The detail is attached as **Annexure-I.**

(c) Government, under 4G Saturation Scheme of Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) is providing connectivity in all these 23 unconnected villages to achieve hundred-percent connectivity in Mandya district.

(d) & (e) Government have issued various instructions about the use of Parental Control filters to Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and TSPs to spread the awareness among subscribers of the country including the Mandya districts.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply of part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1255 to be answered on 14/12/2022 raised by Hon'ble Member of Parliament regarding "No internet connectivity"

List of uncovered villages of Mandya districts of the State of Karnataka	
Sr. No.	Village Name
1	Halladakoppalu
2	Kurubanapura
3	Muthathi
4	Majjigemallanahatti
5	Talavadi
6	Basavanahalli
7	Aretippuru
8	Ankegowdanadoddi
9	Bullanadoddi
10	Tubinakere
11	Dyapasandra
12	Kempegowdanakoppalu
13	Sindhabhoganahalli
14	Basavanagudikoppalu
15	Ragimuddanahalli
16	Sanabadakoppalu
17	Singrigowdanakoppalu
18	Kallinathapur
19	Haralakere
20	Dasarahalli
21	Mangaravalli
22	Vaddarahalli
23	Mallasandra
