

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2364
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21st DECEMBER, 2022**

HIGH SPEED INTERNET

**2364. SHRI DULAL CHANDRA GOSWAMI:
SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to provide high speed internet in rural areas and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government has set any goal under the said policy and if so, the details thereof including in the State of Bihar particularly in Katihar district?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)**

(a) & (b) BharatNet project is being implemented in all the Gram Panchayats (GPs) and villages of the country including Bihar to provide high speed internet/broadband. As on 28.11.2022, a total of 1,84,399 Gram Panchayats have been made service ready in the country with broadband infrastructure under BharatNet. In Bihar, out of 8404 GPs, a total of 8316 GPs have been made service ready including 233 in Katihar district.
