

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 87
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7TH DECEMBER, 2022**

TOWERS FOR MOBILE COMMUNICATION

87. SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the entire border belt of Ranikor Constituency is without towers for mobile communication and if so, the details thereof including the steps taken to avail this facility; and
- (b) the time by which the setting up of tower for mobile communications will be completed and crucial service will be made available to the border residents?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) As reported by Telecom Service Providers (TSPs), out of 140 border villages in Ranikor block, 96 border villages are covered by mobile network. Remaining 44 uncovered villages are planned to be covered under Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) 4G saturation scheme. The said project is being implemented by Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and the target date of completion is December 2023.
