

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 984
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8TH FEBRUARY, 2023**

5G SERVICES IN MADHYA PRADESH

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the steps being taken by the Government for the betterment of BSNL and MTNL;
- (b) whether the Government contemplates to prepare MTNL and BSNL for the operation of 5G spectrum and if so, the time by which it will be made effective;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to introduce 5G mobile services in Madhya Pradesh also;
- (d) if so, the names of districts of Madhya Pradesh where 5G mobile services have been started or will be introduced, the district-wise and name-wise details thereof;
- (e) whether BSNL's 3G/4G mobile services have started in rural areas; and
- (f) if so, the names of districts of Madhya Pradesh where the services have started and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The Government on 23.10.2019 approved the revival of BSNL and MTNL. Further on 27.07.2022, the Government approved revival package for BSNL amounting to Rs. 1.64 lakhs crores. The revival measures focus on infusing fresh capital for upgrading BSNL services, allocating spectrum, de-stressing its balance sheet, augmenting its fibre network by merging Bharat Broadband Nigam Limited (BBNL) with BSNL.
- (b) The Government has reserved 10 MHz of paired spectrum in the 600 MHz band, 40 MHz in the 3300 MHz band and 400 MHz in the 26 GHz band in all Licence Service Areas for providing 5G services by BSNL. 5G services of BSNL will be started after roll out of BSNL 4G services.
- (c) & (d) Airtel has started 5G services in phase wise manner in Madhya Pradesh (Indore and Ujjain city). Further, Reliance Jio is providing 5G services in 05 District Headquarters of Madhya Pradesh i.e. Indore, Bhopal, Jabalpur, Gwalior and Ujjain.
- (e) & (f) BSNL is providing 3G services since February 2009 covering rural areas also. BSNL is operating 27033 numbers of 3G sites and 3123 numbers of 4G sites in rural areas. Districts of Madhya Pradesh where 3G/4G services have been launched are attached as **Annexure-A**.

Districts of Madhya Pradesh where 3G/4G services have been started in Rural Areas.

SL No.	Name of District	Nos. of villages covered with BSNL 3G Mobile Services	Nos.of villages covered with BSNL 4G Mobile Services
1	Alirajpur	3	0
2	Anuppur	5	2
3	Ashoknagar	4	0
4	Balaghat	9	12
5	Barwani	3	0
6	Betul	28	5
7	Bhind	0	1
8	Bhopal	15	2
9	Burhanpur	10	0
10	Chhatarpur	2	0
11	Chhindwara	36	8
12	Damoh	10	4
13	Dewas	12	0
14	Dhar	12	0
15	Dindori	2	0
16	Guna	9	0
17	Gwalior	1	0
18	Harda	6	1
19	Hoshangabad	12	6
20	Indore	18	0
21	Jabalpur	10	0
22	Jhabua	3	0
23	Katni	6	1
24	Khandwa	12	0
25	Khargone	7	1
26	Mandla	7	5
27	Mandsaur	9	2
28	Morena	3	1
29	Narsimhapur	11	4
30	Neemuch	12	2
31	Panna	2	4
32	Raisen	6	2
33	Rajgarh	2	0
34	Ratlam	7	0
35	Rewa	3	4
36	Sagar	9	2
37	Satna	6	5
38	Sehore	11	5
39	Seoni	13	10
40	Shahdol	4	2
41	Shajapur	8	1
42	Sheopur	3	1
43	Sidhi	10	1
44	SINGRAULI	10	5
45	Ujjain	11	0
46	Umaria	5	3
47	Vidisha	8	0
Total		395	102
