### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2216 TO BE ANSWERED ON 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST, 2023

#### NATIONAL BROADBAND MISSION IN RAJASTHAN

#### †2216. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated to the Rajasthan so far under the National Broadband Mission (NBM) by the Government;
- (b) the details of the progress made so far at the State level under this mission; and
- (c) the time by which broadband connectivity is likely to be provided in all the villages of the country under this mission?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a) As of 30-06-2023, a sum of ₹2,000 Crore has been disbursed/ allocated for Rajasthan under ongoing projects of the Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF).
- (b) No. of Gram Panchayats (GPs) made service ready as of June 2023 under BharatNet Project in Rajasthan are 8,773. Further the progress made under National Broadband Mission in Rajasthan is as follows:

Items	Status in Rajasthan
Broadband Connectivity to Villages	92.1% (as of 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2023)
(%)	
Fiberization (Lakh KMs) Cumulative	2.13 Lakh KM (as of 31st March 2023)
Towers (in lakhs) Cumulative	41,614 (as of 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2023)
Fiberization of Telecom Towers (%)	36.15% (as of 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2023)
Cumulative	-

(c) The target is to provide broadband connectivity to all remote and rural villages under the National Broadband Mission.

National Broadband Mission was launched on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019 with 2024-25 set as the timeline of completion. Further, the timeline for completion of BharatNet Project is 2025.

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