# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 689 TO BE ANSWERED ON 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2023

# BHARAT NET PROJECT IN TAMIL NADU

#### 689. SHRI T.R.V.S. RAMESH: DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under the Bharat Net project in Tamil Nadu since the inception of this programme in 2021;

(b) the details of villages connected with broadband facility under this project in the State so far; and.

(c) whether the Government has also fixed any target under the project and if so, the details thereof?

# ANSWER

# MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)

(a) to (c) In the State of Tamil Nadu, the work of BharatNet Phase II was awarded under State Led Model to Tamil Nadu State-SPV. The Quadripartite MoU was signed on 26-12-2017. However, the work was awarded by Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) Tamil Nadu FibreNet Corporation Limited (TANFINET) in October 2021 for two packages, in March 2022 for one package and in May 2022 for one package. Under State led model in Tamil Nadu total Cost allocated was Rs. 1815.31 Crore out of which Rs. 689.52 crore has been disbursed to TANFINET, since 2021. As on 13.11.2023, out of the total target work of 12,524 GPs, 6658 GPs has been made service ready. As per the Quadripartite MoU, the responsibility of utilization of network is with the Government of Tamil Nadu.

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