

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 592  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2020**

**TELECOM FACILITY IN VILLAGES OF MAHARASHTRA**

†592. **SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:**  
**SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPAL SINH ALIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether all the villages in the State of Maharashtra have been connected with telephone facility;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there are many villages in the State where telephone facility is not available till date; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, district-wise and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS,  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE)**

(a) to (d) As per the data collected from the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) and Department of Telecommunications (DoT) field units in 2019, it is estimated that there are 2989 inhabited villages (as per census 2011 data) in Maharashtra, which are not covered by mobile services. The District-wise list of uncovered villages is at **Annexure**. Mobile coverage in the uncovered villages in the country is being provided by the Government and the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) in a phased manner. Under Left Wing Extremism affected areas Phase-II project, Government has approved installation of 125 mobile towers for providing/facilitating mobile connectivity in Maharashtra.

Annexure referred to in Part (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 592 for answer on 05.02.2020

**District wise list of uncovered inhabited villages in Maharashtra State**

Sr.No.	District Name	Uncovered inhabited villages as per 2019 data
1.	Ahmadnagar	74
2.	Akola	16
3.	Amravati	189
4.	Aurangabad	13
5.	Bhandara	01
6.	Bid	28
7.	Buldana	22
8.	Chandrapur	105
9.	Dhule	22
10.	Gadchiroli	760
11.	Gondiya	42
12.	Hingoli	05
13.	Jalgaon	34
14.	Jalna	14
15.	Kolhapur	38
16.	Latur	04
17.	Nagpur	84
18.	Nanded	37
19.	Nandurbar	217
20.	Nashik	208
21.	Osmanabad	01
22.	Parbhani	06
23.	Pune	226
24.	Raigarh	126
25.	Ratnagiri	261
26.	Sangli	17
27.	Satara	123
28.	Sindhudurg	126
29.	Solapur	09
30.	Thane	62
31.	Wardha	19
32.	Washim	12
33.	Yavatmal	88
<b>Total</b>		<b>2989</b>

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