

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1745
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST SEPTEMBER, 2020**

MOBILE TOWERS IN ODISHA

1745. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to/has proposed to set up mobile towers in Odisha to minimize the problem of telecommunication connectivity; and
- (b) if so, the details and the number of mobile towers set up in the State, district-wise?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, Sir. The Government has proposed setting up of mobile towers in Odisha to minimize the problem of telecommunication connectivity.
- (b) Under Left Wing Extremism (LWE) Phase-I Project of Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF), 256 mobile towers are providing services in 21 districts of Odisha State. District-wise details are given at **Annexure-I**.

Under LWE Phase-II Project of USOF, 158 mobile towers are proposed for installation in 5 districts of Odisha State. District-wise details are given at **Annexure-II**. Moreover, 3933 villages under 7287 Aspirational District Scheme are proposed for installation of mobile towers in 10 districts of Odisha State. District-wise details are given at **Annexure-III**.

Annexure referred to in reply of para (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1745 to be answered on 21st September, 2020 raised by Hon'ble Member of Parliament Shri Basanta Kumar Panda, regarding "Mobile Towers in Odisha"

**District-wise Details of Mobile Towers Installed
under LWE Phase-I Project**

S. No.	Name of District	Number of Mobile Towers
1.	Rayagada	21
2.	Angul	5
3.	Dhenkanal	15
4.	Keonjhar	7
5.	Mayurbhanj	15
6.	Bargarh	4
7.	Sambalpur	8
8.	Sonepur	2
9.	Sundergarh	17
10.	Deogarh	7
11.	Kalahandi	8
12.	Kandhamal	23
13.	Nuapada	9
14.	Jharsugada	4
15.	Jajpur	11
16.	Nayagarh	3
17.	Nowrangpur	11
18.	Gajapati	11
19.	Ganjam	22
20.	Koraput	27
21.	Malkanagiri	26
Total		256

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**District-wise Details of Mobile Towers Proposed for Installation
under LWE Phase-II Project**

S.No.	Name of District	Number of Mobile Towers
1.	Boudh	2
2.	Nuapada	19
3.	Nabarangapur	11
4.	Koraput	60
5.	Malkanagiri	66
Total		158

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**District-wise Details of Villages Proposed for Installation of
Mobile Towers under 7287 Aspirational District Scheme**

S. No.	Name of District	Number of Villages
1.	Balangir	11
2.	Dhenkanal	11
3.	Rayagada	962
4.	Kalahandi	516
5.	Kandhamal	1094
6.	Nuapada	29
7.	Nabarangapur	17
8.	Gajapati	467
9.	Koraput	520
10.	Malkangiri	306
Total		3933
