GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2657 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2021

Wi-Fi AT STATIONS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Railway stations currently having Internet and Wi-Fi services, State/UT wise;

(b) whether RailTel proposes to provide broadband and Wi-Fi facilities in the remote villages under the Prime Minister Wi-Fi Access Network Interface (PM Wani) project and if so the details thereof;

(c) whether the RailTel has the infrastructure and equipment to extend their services in the villages and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

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(a) Wi-Fi based Internet Facility has been provided at 5957 railway stations in the country till now. State/UT wise list is appended.

(b) Yes, Sir. RailTel has submitted a proposal to DoT for leveraging its network in rural India and its collaborative broadband services model to provide PM Wani enabled community Wi-Fi services.

(c) Yes, Sir. RailTel has high capacity backbone like 10 Giga bits per second at Railway stations where OFC has been commissioned.

(d) Implementation time will be based on acceptance of proposal & its terms & conditions by DOT.

APPENDIX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2657 BY SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA, DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE, SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE, SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE, DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE AND DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S. TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.03.2021 REGARDING WI-FI AT STATIONS

S. No.	State/UT	No. of Stations
1	Andaman & Nicobar	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	506
3	Arunachal Pradesh	3
4	Assam	221
5	Bihar	384
6	UT Chandigarh	1
7	Chhattisgarh	118
8	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	0
9	Daman & Diu	0
10	Delhi	26
11	Goa	19
12	Gujarat	318
13	Haryana	140
14	Himachal Pradesh	23
15	Jammu & Kashmir	13
16	Jharkhand	202
17	Karnataka	330
18	Kerala	119
19	Lakshadweep	0
20	Madhya Pradesh	400
21	Maharashtra	539
22	Manipur	0
23	Meghalaya	1
24	Mizoram	1
25	Nagaland	2
26	Odisha	234
27	UT Puducherry	3
28	Punjab	145
29	Rajasthan	455
30	Sikkim	0
31	Tamil Nadu	416
32	Telangana	46
33	Tripura	18
34	Uttar Pradesh	751
35	Uttarakhand	26
36	West Bengal	497
37	Ladakh	0
	Total	5957