

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 380
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3RD FEBRUARY, 2021**

DIGITAL INDIA AND BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government for better implementation of Digital India Programme;
- (b) the action plan formulated by the Government for providing Broadband connectivity to each Gram Panchayat of the country; and
- (c) the district-wise population of Gram Panchayats in Rajasthan which are still deprived of broadband connectivity at present?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Government of India has initiated the ‘Digital India Programme’ with the vision to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy. The Digital India programme is centred on three key vision areas namely Digital Infrastructure as a Core Utility to Every Citizen, Governance and Services on Demand and Digital Empowerment of Citizens. Digital India is an umbrella programme that covers multiple projects of various central Ministries/Departments & States/UTs and accordingly project-plans are charted out by the implementing Ministry/departments.
- (b) Government of India is implementing BharatNet project in a phased manner to provide broadband connectivity to all the Gram Panchayats (GPs) (approx. 2,50,000) in the country through optimal mix of media(OFC/Radio/Satellite). As on 15.01.2021, a total of 1,51,404 GPs including Block Headquarters have been made service ready.
- (c) The district-wise details of Gram Panchayats in Rajasthan where connectivity is not there is at Annexure.

Annexure referred to in Part (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.380 for answer on 3.2.2021.

The district wise details of Gram Panchayats(GPs) in Rajasthan not having Broadband connectivity as on 15.01.2021

S.No.	District	Total GPs	No. of GPs not having broadband connectivity
1	Ajmer	282	0
2	Alwar	512	31
3	Banswara	346	231
4	Baran	221	35
5	Barmer	489	252
6	Bharatpur	375	0
7	Bhilwara	384	0
8	Bikaner	290	0
9	Bundi	183	0
10	Chittorgarh	290	23
11	Churu	253	0
12	Dausa	231	2
13	Dholpur	171	77
14	Dungarpur	291	170
15	Hanumangarh	251	0
16	Jaipur	532	0
17	Jaisalmer	140	36
18	Jalore	274	0
19	Jhalawar	252	0
20	Jhunjhunu	301	0
21	Jodhpur	466	50
22	Karauli	228	3
23	Kota	156	0
24	Nagaur	466	1
25	Pali	321	0
26	Pratapgarh	165	55
27	Rajsamand	207	0
28	Sikar	343	0
29	Sirohi	162	3
30	Sriganganagar	336	93
31	Swaimadhopur	200	0
32	Tonk	230	0
33	Udaipur	544	87
Total		9892	1149
