

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 41
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND FEBRUARY, 2022**

NATIONAL BROADBAND MISSION

41. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the National Broadband Mission aims to provide 10 Mbps broadband speed at the end of this fiscal i.e., 2021-22;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is in line to achieve this target;
- (c) whether it is true that broadband speed of 4 Mbps target in 2020-21 has not been achieved so far;
- (d) If so, the manner in which the Government is planning to achieve 10 Mbps at the end of 2021-22;
- (e) whether it is also true that a target of 25 Mbps by 2022-23, 30 Mbps by 2023-24 and 50 Mbps by 2024-25 is planned to be achieved; and
- (f) if so, the details of the plan of action that the Government has to achieve in this regard?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)**

- (a) Yes, it is true.
- (b) to (d) As per Ookla speed test global index March 2021 report (<https://www.speedtest.net/global-index/india>), India was experiencing Median download speeds of 8.19 Mbps in case of mobile broadband and around 38.85 Mbps in case of fixed broadband. As per December 2021 report (<https://www.speedtest.net/global-index/india>), India is experiencing Median download speeds of 14.17 Mbps in case of mobile broadband and around 47.48 Mbps in case of fixed broadband.
- (e) Yes, it is true.
- (f) Plan of action under the Mission include:
 - i. All villages to have access to broadband;
 - ii. Accelerate Fiberization;
 - iii. Increasing tower density;
 - iv. Increase fiberization of telecom towers;
 - v. Easing of Right of Way (RoW) permissions in coordination with State/UTs & other central ministries.
