GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4437 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30TH MARCH, 2022

NATIONAL BROADBAND MISSION IN RAJASTHAN

4437. MS. DIYA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the amount of funds disbursed to the State of Rajasthan for the National Broadband Mission (NBM) including the details of different heads of fund utilisation;

(b) the details of the amount of funds utilised in the State of Rajasthan for the implementation of the NBM;

(c) the district-wise list of villages where the NBM have been successfully completed; and

(d) whether the Government has any plans to extend the Mission after the completion of the envisaged period of its implementation in 2022 and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)

(a) & (b) The investment envisaged under the National Broadband Mission (NBM), is to be mobilized largely by Telecom Licensees and infrastructure providers and by Government through Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF). A number of schemes have been taken up by the Department of Telecommunications, with funding from USOF, for expansion of telecom services in rural and remote areas of the country. The details of funds disbursed to the State of Rajasthan under various schemes under USOF is given at **Annexure - I**.

(c) & (d) Following activities are being done under the National Broadband Mission –

- (i) Broadband Connectivity to Villages Under the BharatNet Project 8770 Gram Panchayats (GPs) have been made service ready till February 2022 in the State of Rajasthan. The scope of BharatNet on 30.06.2021 has been extended upto all inhabited villages beyond GPs in the country. Timeline of the BharatNet Project is upto 2025.
- (ii) Availability of Broadband Speeds (Mbps) Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has been obtaining Crowd-sourced data about download and upload speed for different service providers through TRAI My speed App. Average download & upload speed License Service Area (LSA) wise across India for mobile broadband for Quarter (Oct 21- Dec 21) is placed as Annexure II. It is targeted to achieve broadband speeds up to 50 Mbps by 2024-25.

- (iii) Fiberization (Lakh Kms) Cumulative Total Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) laid is approximately 33 Lakh Km as on December 2021. It is targeted to be increased up to 50 Lakh Km by 2024-25.
- (iv) Towers (in Lakhs) Cumulative Approximately 7.05 Lakh towers have been installed up to February 2022. It is targeted to be increased up to 15 Lakh towers by 2024-25.
- (v) Fiberization of Telecom Towers (%) Cumulative Approximately 34.21% of Telecom Towers are fiberized as on December 2021. It is targeted to be increased up to 70% by 2024-25.
- (vi) Mapping of Fiber Cumulative GIS portal for Mapping of fiber is under development.

Annexure referred to in Part (a) and (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4437 for Answer on 30.03.2022

Details of funds disbursed to the State of Rajasthan under various schemes of USOF

- 1. BharatNet project is being implemented in a phased manner to create a network to connect all the Gram Panchayats (GPs) (approximately 2.6 lakh) with broadband in the country, including Rajasthan. Rs. 1365.15 crore has been disbursed for this project in Rajasthan. The scope of BharatNet on 30.06.2021 has been extended upto all inhabited villages beyond GPs in the country.
- 2. Scheme for providing mobile connectivity in 354 uncovered villages of J&K, Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Uttarakhand, Border area & other priority areas. Rs. 8.11 crore has been disbursed for this project in Rajasthan.
- 3. Scheme for setting up Public Wi-Fi hotspots at 25,000 telephone exchanges/ BTS (Base Transceiver Station) of BSNL (Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited) in rural areas of the country, including Rajasthan, with funding from USOF. Rs. 3.25 crore has been disbursed for this project in Rajasthan.

Annexure - II

Annexure referred to in Part (c) to (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4437 for Answer on 30.03.2022.

LSA	AIRTEL (Mbps)		BSNL(Mbps)		RJIO(Mbps)		Vi India(Mbps)	
	Downl oad	Up load	Downl oad	Up load	Downl oad	Up load	Downl oad	Up load
Andhra Pradesh	14.18	7.06	4.71	4.01	25.81	6.45	6.54	2.23
Assam	7.22	3.04	NA	NA	14.18	4.83	21.29	24.99
Bihar	12.97	5.77	NA	NA	24.12	7.24	10.07	8.62
Chennai	13.50	5.77	11.00	7.07	26.94	5.56	11.58	6.97
Delhi	11.57	3.27	17.11	7.70	24.73	10.21	12.50	5.34
Gujarat	11.35	3.98	4.19	3.67	29.66	7.21	17.81	10.10
Haryana	12.77	3.00	3.38	3.00	55.88	8.10	11.80	8.58
Himachal Pradesh	13.05	5.83	9.98	3.64	10.51	4.89	5.40	4.53
Jammu & Kashmir	15.11	8.45	8.34	5.25	11.83	4.69	21.92	12.03
Karnataka	11.27	5.40	5.14	3.66	31.98	6.13	10.12	7.74
Kerala	8.82	2.74	2.92	2.56	27.22	4.83	12.34	5.29
Kolkata	13.61	3.93	NA	NA	31.56	6.97	15.68	7.39
Madhya Pradesh	11.34	6.05	2.73	1.12	26.70	5.72	22.61	7.73
Maharashtra	10.35	4.58	6.86	4.92	39.72	6.10	13.63	7.06
Mumbai	10.63	3.61	NA	NA	34.79	7.02	15.56	7.58
North East	11.71	4.69	NA	NA	16.24	5.73	16.47	12.92
Orissa	14.85	4.14	NA	NA	41.57	7.72	13.35	11.28
Punjab	13.03	4.73	3.72	2.79	31.66	6.57	11.99	10.38
Rajasthan	13.86	6.63	NA	NA	37.05	8.60	12.37	6.51
Tamil Nadu	13.04	5.48	4.92	3.68	28.21	5.95	15.43	8.77
UP East	12.04	4.52	4.91	2.97	28.43	7.63	20.41	9.63
UP West	13.14	6.78	5.29	2.88	44.14	7.05	16.31	9.22
West Bengal	9.07	2.39	0.42	1.01	14.47	5.99	23.58 : Not Avai	7.80

NA: Not Available