

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4577  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2022**

**HIGH-SPEED OPTICAL FIBER NETWORK**

†4577. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the work of setting up high-speed optical fiber network has been started by the Government under BharatNet Project in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has started the installation work of High Speed Optical Fibre Network in all the Panchayats of Sasaram Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said work is likely to be completed and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) BharatNet project is implemented in a phased manner to provide broadband connectivity to all Gram Panchayats (GPs) in the country, including Bihar. As on 28.02.2022, by laying 27,362 km Optical Fibre Cable (OFC), 8298 GPs have been made Service Ready on OFC media in Bihar. Further, 4 GPs have been made Service Ready on Satellite media. In total, 8302 GPs have been made Service Ready under the BharatNet project.

In Sasaram Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar, 209 GPs have been made Service Ready, out of 228 planned GPs, and the timeline for the remaining 19 GPs is December 2022.

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