

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 525
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH JULY, 2022**

SLOW SPEED OF INTERNET

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the country is facing the problem of slow speed of internet and is placed at 119th position in the list of 140 countries in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether internet access in rural areas is just 21 percent due to this slow speed and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the total number of panchayats in Chatra, Latehar and other districts of Jharkhand, Jalore, Sirohi and other districts of Rajasthan and in Gram Panchayats of Maharashtra including Madha and Latur parliamentary constituencies which are not connected with high speed internet and 4G mobile service, district-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to connect all panchayats of the country including Rajasthan and Maharashtra with high speed internet and 4G mobile service under Pradhanmantri Gati shakti Scheme?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Certain organisations publish reports regarding global mobile internet speed ranking. However, such reports have not been validated. Internet speed depends on various factors like network, website being browsed, user device, etc. However as per Yearly Performance Indicators Report on Indian Telecom Sector”, released by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021, the average wireless data usage per data subscriber per month has been increasing from 9.85 Giga Byte (GB) to 11.76 GB to 14.04 GB respectively.

As per the “Yearly Performance Indicators Report on Indian Telecom Sector”, released by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), as on 31st December, 2021 there are 37.25 Internet Subscribers per 100 population in the Rural areas and overall 60.46 total Internet Subscribers per 100 population in the country.

(c) & (d) BharatNet project is being implemented in a phased manner to create network to connect all the Gram Panchayats (GPs)/Villages with high speed internet in the country including Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Maharashtra. This infrastructure is leased to Telecom Service providers / Internet Service Providers for provision of Mobile / internet connectivity in GPs/rural areas. District wise details of no. of Villages of Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Maharashtra covered with 4G Mobile services is given in **Annexure**.

Status of no. of Villages of Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Maharashtra covered with 4G Mobile services

State	District Name	Total No. of inhabited villages as per Census 2011	No. of inhabited villages with mobile connectivity as per 2020 data	No. of villages with 4G
JHARKHAND	Bokaro	611	608	601
	Chatra	1377	1303	1262
	Deoghar	2354	2354	2352
	Dhanbad	1075	1075	1075
	Dumka	2688	2663	2632
	Garhwa	844	792	776
	Giridih	2558	2541	2502
	Godda	1688	1626	1602
	Gumla	942	853	803
	Hazaribagh	1193	1159	1140
	Jamtara	1082	1078	1075
	Khunti	754	703	599
	Kodarma	577	550	542
	Latehar	749	666	574
	Lohardaga	352	327	288
	Pakur	1141	1097	1091
	Palamu	1711	1651	1597
	Pashchimi Singhbhum	1642	1405	1193
	Purbi Singhbhum	1609	1552	1515
	Ramgarh	305	302	302
	Ranchi	1296	1290	1276
Sahibganj	1349	1272	1164	
Saraikele-Kharsawan	1146	1105	1085	
Simdega	449	376	345	
	Total	29492	28348	27391
Maharashtra	Ahmadnagar	1581	1579	1502
	Akola	864	850	799
	Amravati	1637	1504	1419
	Aurangabad	1314	1301	1293
	Bhandara	771	757	753
	Bid	1357	1332	1312
	Buldana	1300	1280	1239
	Chandrapur	1463	1384	1341
	Dhule	674	658	634

	Gadchiroli	1509	907	622
	Gondiya	883	847	836
	Hingoli	675	670	660
	Jalgaon	1487	1459	1414
	Jalna	958	957	944
	Kolhapur	1195	1159	1130
	Latur	928	925	924
	Nagpur	1617	1540	1496
	Nanded	1541	1523	1484
	Nandurbar	930	744	630
	Nashik	1919	1753	1693
	Osmanabad	728	725	723
	Parbhani	830	823	814
	Pune	1852	1736	1662
	Raigarh	1860	1743	1654
	Ratnagiri	1531	1364	1176
	Sangli	725	719	716
	Satara	1719	1602	1471
	Sindhudurg	740	643	557
	Solapur	1143	1135	1132
	Thane	1704	1570	1536
	Wardha	973	963	920
	Washim	698	684	659
	Yavatmal	1853	1795	1759
	Total	40959	38631	36904
RAJASTHAN	Ajmer	1099	1097	1085
	Alwar	2021	2003	2000
	Banswara	1485	1473	1458
	Baran	1114	1081	1069
	Barmer	2452	2347	2253
	Bharatpur	1432	1432	1425
	Bhilwara	1790	1788	1776
	Bikaner	857	800	757
	Bundi	867	854	843
	Chittaurgarh	1581	1521	1479
	Churu	873	867	860
	Dausa	1079	1077	1077
	Dhaulpur	801	778	776
	Dungarpur	972	970	966
	Ganganagar	2855	2819	2778
	Hanumangarh	1831	1828	1817
	Jaipur	2126	2123	2119
	Jaisalmer	756	554	501
Jalore	791	788	782	

	Jhalawar	1488	1460	1448
	Jhunjhunun	926	926	925
	Jodhpur	1836	1817	1770
	Karauli	851	801	785
	Kota	805	804	802
	Nagaur	1575	1573	1562
	Pali	1017	998	978
	Pratapgarh	970	931	899
	Rajsamand	1037	1035	1026
	Sawai Madhopur	758	744	741
	Sikar	1162	1156	1149
	Sirohi	470	444	435
	Tonk	1116	1115	1110
	Udaipur	2471	2319	2254
	Total	43264	42323	41705
