

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1490
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4TH DECEMBER, 2024**

4G MOBILE SERVICES IN ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS

1490. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the plan to provide 4G mobile services in 7,287 uncovered villages of Aspirational Districts;
- (b) the timelines by which the above plan would be operational along with the current progress thereof;
- (c) the list of villages in Koraput and Rayagada District in Odisha where mobile connectivity would be provided, block-wise; and
- (d) the current status of implementation along with timeline of completion for pending ones in the villages of Koraput and Rayagada districts of Odisha where 4G mobile connectivity would be provided, block-wise?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(DR. PEMMASANI CHANDRA SEKHAR)**

(a) & (b) The Union Cabinet has approved a scheme for provisioning of 4G Mobile services in 7287 uncovered villages of Aspirational Districts of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Jharkhand & Odisha by installation of 4,779 mobile towers.

Above project aims to provide mobile coverage in all such villages in phased manner. As on 31.10.2024, 2,177 mobile towers have been commissioned covering 3,352 villages.

(c) & (d) The list of villages planned for mobile coverage as on 31.10.2024 under this scheme in Koraput and Rayagada District of Odisha is available on <https://dot.gov.in/circular-and-notifications/3294>.
