GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 248 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH NOVEMBER, 2024

WI-FI SERVICE FOR SMART CITY PROJECT

†248 SHRI IMRAN MASOOD:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the free Wi-Fi service is being offered as per the set standards in all 100 cities selected under Smart City Project;

(b) if so, the city-wise details of service provider companies;

(c) the number of places where the service provider company is obligated to provide the service, city-wise;

(d) the number of places where service is actually being provided, city-wise; and

(e) the city-wise details of data consumption?

ANSWER

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

(a) The free Wi-Fi service is currently being offered in 39 cities through Smart City projects under the Smart Cities Mission.

(b) to (d) The city wise details of the smart cities where the free Wi-Fi service is being provided along with the details of the service provider companies, the number of places where the service provider company is obligated to provide the service and the number of places where the service is actually being provided is as follows:

S. No.	Smart City	Service Provider Company	Number of places where the service provider company is obligated to provide the service	Number of places service where is actually being provided
1	Agartala	Honeywell Automation India Limited	28	28
2	Agra	BSNL	6	6
3	Ahmedabad	BSNL	159	159
4	Aizawl	Bharti Airtel, DHI Enterprise	15	15
5	Aligarh	BSNL	4	4
6	Bareilly	Aruba	10	9
7	Belagavi	BSNL	16	16
8	Bhopal	Indus Towers Ltd	83	83

S. No.	Smart City	Service Provider Company	Number of places where the service provider company is obligated to provide the service	Number of places service where is actually being provided
9	Bhubaneswar	BSNL	518	518
10	Bilaspur	Idea, Vodafone, Airtel	23	23
11	Chennai	Airtel	50	50
12	Dahod	Ishan Netsol	23	23
13	Erode	Jio Fiber	1	1
14	Faridabad	Honeywell Automation India Limited	9	9
15	Gandhinagar	Amnex Infotechnologies Pvt. Ltd.	49	44
16	Jhansi	L&T Technology Services	17	17
17	Kakinada	City Online Pvt Ltd	420	420
18	Kanpur	Reliance Communication	66	59
19	Karimnagar	D - Atum Vilcom Private limited	22	21
20	Kohima	Symbios	16	16
21	Lucknow	Sikka Broadband Pvt. Ltd.	22	22
22	Moradabad	Airtel	35	35
23	Nagpur	BSNL	290	290
24	NDMC	Indus, Planat, Sign Post	153	153
25	New Town Kolkata	New Town Telecom Infrastructure Development Co. Ltd (NTTIDCO)	10	10
26	Panaji	Reliance Jio	98	95
27	Pasighat	Shaildhar Telecom Services Pvt Ltd	5	5
28	Pimpri- Chinchwad	VI and Airtel	215	215
29	Pune	Railtel Corporation	199	199
30	Raipur	Airtel	20	19
31	Rajkot	Honeywell India Automation Limited	142	142
32	Salem	Airtel	3	3
33	Srinagar	Peer Network	1	1
34	Thanjavur	BSNL, Evergreen Technologies	3	3
35	Thoothukudi	Prutech	3	3
36	Tiruchirappalli	Lantrasoft Private Limited	3	3
37	Ujjain	Reliance Jio	3	3
38	Vadodara	Indus tower	85	85
39	Visakhapatnam	L&T	50	50

(e) The data consumption in a city may vary based on the location of the wi-fi hotspot, the population, service quality and service accessibility among others, based on which the data consumption in a city can range from 0-15 GB per hotspot per day.
