

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3190
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2025**

TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES IN UTTAR PRADESH

†3190. SHRI RAM SHIROMANI VERMA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are adequate telecommunication facilities across all the remote villages and border areas of Uttar Pradesh including the Terai region bordering Nepal in Shravasti and Balrampur districts; and
- (b) if not, the steps taken/proposed to be taken to upgrade/strengthen telecom facilities in the said areas?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Out of 1,196 villages/habitations in the border areas of Uttar Pradesh, 1,192 villages/habitations are having mobile coverage. Shravasti and Balrampur districts collectively have 280 border villages/habitations, out of these, 278 villages/habitations are having mobile coverage.

Mobile coverage for inhabited uncovered villages is provided by the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) based on their techno-commercial viability. Government, through funding from Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN), is implementing various schemes for expansion of telecom connectivity through installation of mobile towers in the rural, remote and border areas of the country, including Uttar Pradesh.
