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MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
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COMMON SERVICE CENTRES IN TONK AND SAWAI MADHOPUR

†4588. **SHRI HARISH CHANDRA MEENA:**

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of villages connected with broadband internet service in Tonk and Sawai Madhopur districts under the BharatNet Project by June 2025;
- (b) whether the Government maintains any data on the number of Common Service Centres (CSCs) operational in the said districts at present and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the various major steps taken by the Government to improve digital access and bridge the digital divide in backward and minority dominated areas of the districts of Tonk and Sawai Madhopur?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a): In Tonk and Sawai Madhopur districts, broadband services under the BharatNet project are currently available upto Gram Panchayat level (GPs). As in June 2025, 230 GPs in Tonk and 200 GPs in Sawai Madhopur districts of Rajasthan, have been made service ready by Department of Telecommunications (DoT) under the BharatNet project.

(b): As on 30th June, 2025, total number of Common Services Centres (CSCs) across the country along with state and district wise details including Tonk and Sawai Madhopur districts, are available on the website <https://csc.gov.in/>.

(c): To improve digital access and bridge the digital divide across the country including backward and minority dominated areas of the country, following steps have been taken by the government:

- **BharatNet** project is being implemented by DoT to provide broadband connectivity to all Gram Panchayats (GPs) in the country including Tonk and Sawai Madhopur districts of Rajasthan. The connectivity to non-GP villages is to be provided on demand basis from their respective GPs.
- **The project for providing 4G mobile services** in uncovered villages in remote and difficult areas of the country, including districts of Tonk and Sawai Madhopur is being implemented by DoT. Under the project, 17 mobile towers have been commissioned in Tonk (10 mobile towers) and Sawai Madhopur (7 mobile towers) districts.
- **Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA)** was launched by the Government in 2017, to promote digital literacy in rural India. PMGDISHA scheme aimed to provide basic digital literacy to rural households, ensuring one person per household gains essential digital skills. A total number of 6.39 crore beneficiaries were trained under the PMGDISHA scheme across the country including 97,296 beneficiaries trained in Tonk and 55,660 beneficiaries trained in Sawai Madhopur districts of Rajasthan. The scheme has been officially concluded on 31.03.2024.

- **Common Services Centres (CSCs)** have been set up under an initiative of the Government of India. CSCs operate on a self-sustainable and entrepreneurship model. The CSC initiative aims to deliver e-services to rural citizens through CSCs and expand the CSC network till the Gram Panchayat level. Over 800 services are being delivered through CSCs, including government services, financial services and services related to Aadhaar, various social welfare schemes, education, tele-medicine, travel bookings, utility payments.
