

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 155
ANSWERED ON 10TH DECEMBER, 2025**

MOBILE NETWORK CONNECTIVITY IN REMOTE AREAS

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether lack of mobile network in many villages and inaccessible areas of Ratlam-Jhabua-Alirajpur under Lok Sabha Constituency No. 24 is causing serious hardships to citizens and hindering administrative works;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is preparing any action plan to conduct a survey of the said areas and install mobile towers there; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the estimated time limit for providing network facility in the said areas?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN
REGION
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- (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE OF LOK SABHA IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.155 FOR 10TH DECEMBER, 2025 REGARDING “MOBILE NETWORK CONNECTIVITY IN REMOTE AREAS.”

(a) As of November 2025, out of 2,450 villages, 2,428 villages are covered with mobile connectivity in Ratlam, Jhabua and Alirajpur districts of Madhya Pradesh.

(b) & (c) Mobile coverage for any uncovered inhabited villages is provided by the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) based on the techno-commercial viability.

The Government, based on inputs from Telecom Service Providers, assesses mobile coverage in rural and remote areas. Villages found uncovered are surveyed to validate their mobile coverage status. Thereafter, uncovered villages are taken up for coverage under the Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN) funded 4G mobile connectivity schemes.

Government, through funding from Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN), is implementing various schemes for expansion of telecom connectivity through installation of 4G mobile towers in the rural, remote and border areas of the country. As of November 2025, 32 sites have been commissioned in Ratlam, Jhabua and Alirajpur districts under DBN funded mobile schemes, providing mobile coverage to 41 villages.
