

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 493
ANSWERED ON 3RD DECEMBER, 2025**

INTERNET CONNECTIVITY IN VILLAGE OF MAHARASHTRA

493. DR. KIRSAN NAMDEO:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that despite its campaign of Digital India, several villages in the country do not possess internet connectivity and the ones which possess, have extremely poor internet speeds;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the number of villages which do not have internet connectivity in the country, especially in Maharashtra, State-wise and district-wise;
- (d) the expected time limit by which each and every village in the country is expected to get high-speed internet connectivity; and
- (e) the measures being taken to improve the poor internet speed provided to the village?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e) As on 31.10.2025, out of 6,44,131 villages (village data as per Registrar General of India) 6,30,949 villages have internet connectivity. The State-wise details are at **Annexure-I**.

In State of Maharashtra, out of 43,931 villages, 42,713 villages have internet connectivity. The district wise details are at **Annexure-II**.

Mobile coverage for any uncovered inhabited villages is provided by the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) based on the techno-commercial viability. Government is implementing various schemes under Digital Bharat Nidhi for expansion of internet connectivity through installation of 4G mobile towers in the rural and remote areas of the country. In addition, BharatNet project is being implemented in a phased manner to provide broadband connectivity such as Wi-Fi Hotspots, Fibre to the Home (FTTH) connections etc. to all the Gram Panchayats (GPs) and villages on demand basis.

Annexure in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 493 for 03.12.2025 regarding “Internet Connectivity in Village of Maharashtra” raised by Dr. Kirsan Namdeo:

State-wise Mobile coverage status as on 31.10.2025

S.No.	State/UT	Total No. of villages as per RGI data Nov-2019	No. of villages having internet connectivity
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	559	341
2	Andhra Pradesh	17328	16652
3	Arunachal Pradesh	5993	4326
4	Assam	26429	26212
5	Bihar	44888	44836
6	Chandigarh	0	0
7	Chhattisgarh	20072	19095
8	DNH & DD	95	95
9	Goa	392	349
10	Gujarat	18425	18201
11	Haryana	6640	6638
12	Himachal Pradesh	20852	20097
13	J&K	6474	6185
14	Jharkhand	32370	31934
15	Karnataka	29818	29235
16	Kerala	1438	1438
17	Ladakh	243	228
18	Lakshadweep	27	27
19	Maharashtra	43931	42713
20	Manipur	2612	2387
21	Meghalaya	7100	6838
22	Mizoram	867	804
23	Madhya Pradesh	55058	53860
24	Nagaland	1535	1210
25	NCT of Delhi	55	55
26	Odisha	51176	49037
27	Puducherry	96	96
28	Punjab	12534	12494
29	Rajasthan	46077	45403
30	Sikkim	461	445
31	Tamil Nadu	16488	16452
32	Telangana	10203	9813
33	Tripura	937	926
34	Uttar Pradesh	105531	105343
35	Uttarakhand	16456	16225
36	West Bengal	40971	40959
	Total	644131	630949

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District-wise Mobile coverage status in state of Maharashtra as on 31.10.2025

S.No.	Name of District	Total No. of villages as per RGI data Nov-2019	No. of villages having internet connectivity
1	Ahmadnagar	1586	1572
2	Akola	972	958
3	Amravati	1981	1859
4	Aurangabad	1361	1350
5	Bhandara	885	866
6	Bid	1371	1355
7	Buldana	1438	1407
8	Chandrapur	1775	1726
9	Dhule	720	711
10	Gadchiroli	1646	1450
11	Gondiya	934	893
12	Hingoli	708	704
13	Jalgaon	1524	1505
14	Jalna	965	963
15	Kolhapur	1250	1222
16	Latur	943	942
17	Nagpur	1900	1850
18	Nanded	1663	1639
19	Nandurbar	960	889
20	Nashik	1928	1885
21	Osmanabad	739	735
22	Palghar	904	904
23	Parbhani	843	837
24	Pune	1882	1825
25	Raigarh	2008	1967
26	Ratnagiri	1538	1422
27	Sangli	724	719
28	Satara	1771	1712
29	Sindhudurg	746	692
30	Solapur	1159	1152
31	Thane	816	806
32	Wardha	1382	1359
33	Washim	782	775
34	Yavatmal	2127	2062
	Total	43931	42713
