

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 559
ANSWERED ON 3RD DECEMBER, 2025**

WI-FI CONNECTIVITY IN GRAM PANCHAYATS

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has accelerated the programme to provide Wi-Fi connectivity in Gram Panchayats in various States across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the State/UT-wise number of Gram Panchayats currently having Wi-Fi connectivity particularly in States of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli;
- (d) the financial outlay allocated for Gram Panchayat internet services in the current year; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof including States of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Total number of service ready Gram Panchayats (GPs) in the Country is 2,14,864 as on 17.11.2025. The state-wise details are available on Digital Bharat Nidhi website (<https://usof.gov.in/en/home>). Wi-Fi service is supported by equipment installed at many GPs.

(d) & (e) In current financial year 2025-26, Rs. 28,400 Crores have been allocated for DBN's Schemes to provide internet/telecom services in rural and remote areas of the country including Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli.
