GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 616
ANSWERED ON 3RD DECEMBER, 2025

WIFI SYSTEM INSTALLED IN DAMAN & DIU

†616.   SHRI PATEL UMESHBHAI BABUBHAI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a)   the number of the public places where Wi-Fi system has been installed by the Government along with the details thereof including address during the last five years;

(b)   the amount of funds allocated by the Union Government for this project to Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu and the amount utilized by UT administration during the last five years;

(c)   the details of the number of residents who used this service so far, year-wise;

(d)   the total bandwidth of the system installed in Daman & Diu, so far;

(e)   whether the said bandwidth is appropriate as par the guidelines set by the Government and if so, the details thereof; and

(f)   whether the Union Territory administration has done any field survey to assess it and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a)   Government approved the PM-WANI Scheme on 9th December 2020 to accelerate the proliferation of Broadband services through Public Wi-Fi networks across the country. The PM-WANI framework, in line with the objectives of the National Digital Communications Policy (NDCP) 2018, aims to create a robust digital communications infrastructure. The framework allows Public Data Offices (PDOs) to set up Wi-Fi hotspots, under the aggregation of Public Data Office Aggregators (PDOAs), with minimal regulatory oversight, thus encouraging local entrepreneurs to participate in the digital transformation process. As on 26.11.2025 the count of pan India PMWANI WiFi hotspots is 3,91,599. State wise count of PMWANI WiFi hotspots is enclosed as **Annexure-I**.

(b)   No separate funds have been allocated by Union Government for this scheme to Union Territory Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.

(c)   As on 26.11.2025, under PMWANI scheme, 2,41,61,459 users have utilized the PMWANI Wi-Fi network.

(d) to (f)   Under PMWANI scheme specific bandwidth related instructions/guidelines have not been defined.

S.No	State	No. of WI-FI Hotspots
1	Andaman & Nicobar	275
2	Andhra Pradesh	6074
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1017
4	Assam	1063
5	Bihar	4086
6	Chandigarh	253
7	Chhattisgarh	2839
8	Delhi	198275
9	Goa	430
10	Gujarat	11857
11	Himachal Pradesh	936
12	Haryana	18131
13	Jharkhand	1042
14	Jammu & Kashmir	2299
15	Karnataka	21834
16	Kerala	4987
17	Ladakh	601
18	Lakshadweep	1
19	Maharashtra	33084
20	Meghalaya	256
21	Manipur	21
22	Madhya Pradesh	7592
23	Mizoram	3
24	Nagaland	78
25	Odisha	3040
26	Punjab	3713
27	Puducherry	89
28	Rajasthan	2891
29	Sikkim	13
30	Telangana	4284
31	Tamil Nadu	7501
32	Tripura	310
33	Uttarakhand	980
34	Uttar Pradesh	47549
35	West Bengal	4195
	Total	**391599**

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