

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2002
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH FEBRUARY, 2026**

INTERNET ACCESS IN REMOTE RURAL AND HILLY BLOCKS IN DAHOD

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of internet access in remote rural and hilly blocks (Dhampur, Garbada) under Dahod Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (b) the progress made in broadband density and laying Optical Fibre Cable in the rural areas of Dahod during the last three years; and
- (c) whether any special scheme is proposed to improve network connectivity for the expansion of digital education and telemedicine in Dahod?

ANSWER

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

- (a) As on 31.01.2025, all 124 villages (As per Registrar General of India data) of Dhampur and Garbada blocks have been provided with 4G mobile internet services.
- (b) During the last three years, 360 km of Optical Fibre Cable has been laid and 20 Gram Panchayats have been connected under BharatNet Project in the rural areas of Dahod district.
- (c) Government is implementing various schemes like BharatNet project which aims to provide high-speed broadband connectivity such as Wi-Fi Hotspots, Fiber to the Home (FTTH) connections etc. to all the Gram Panchayats (GPs) and villages on demand basis.
