

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5515
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25TH MARCH, 2026**

IMPLEMENTATION OF PM-WANI SCHEME IN ANDHRA PRADESH:

5515. DR. BYREDDY SHABARI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of Public Data Offices (PDOs) providing Wi-Fi connectivity under the PM-WANI scheme, State and year-wise since inception including district-wise particularly for Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the details of the number of PDO Aggregators (PDOAs) operating under the scheme, State and year-wise including district-wise particularly for Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details of the number of beneficiaries accessing Wi-Fi through these access points, State and year-wise including district-wise particularly for Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) whether the Government has assessed the average investment required to become a PDO and the business models adopted with PDOAs;
- (e) the details of number and value of coupons sold by PDOAs under the scheme, State and year-wise including district-wise particularly for Andhra Pradesh; and
- (f) the revenue generated and shared with PDOs by PDOAs under the scheme, State and year-wise?

ANSWER

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

- (a) State wise count of Public Data Offices (PDOs) across India, as on 28.02.2026 is as under:

S.No	State	No. of Public Data Offices under PM-WANI
1	Andaman & Nicobar	275
2	Andhra Pradesh	6,076
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1,017
4	Assam	2,612
5	Bihar	4,086
6	Chandigarh	253
7	Chhattisgarh	2,839
8	Delhi	2,08,946

9	Goa	430
10	Gujarat	11,857
11	Himachal Pradesh	936
12	Haryana	18,474
13	Jharkhand	1,042
14	Jammu & Kashmir	2,299
15	Karnataka	21,842
16	Kerala	5,002
17	Ladakh	601
18	Lakshadweep	1
19	Maharashtra	34,240
20	Meghalaya	256
21	Manipur	21
22	Madhya Pradesh	7,597
23	Mizoram	3
24	Nagaland	78
25	Odisha	3,037
26	Punjab	3,713
27	Puducherry	89
28	Rajasthan	2,890
29	Sikkim	13
30	Telangana	4,288
31	Tamil Nadu	7,504
32	Tripura	310
33	Uttarakhand	980
34	Uttar Pradesh	51,590
35	West Bengal	4,206
	Total	4,09,403

District wise details of Public Data Offices (PDOs) working in Andhra Pradesh, as on 28.02.2026, is as under:

S. No	District	No. of Wi-Fi Hotspots
1	ANANTAPUR	380
2	CHITTOOR	603
3	EAST GODAVARI	464
4	GUNTUR	586
5	KADAPA	330
6	KRISHNA	874
7	KURNOOL	404
8	NELLORE	361
9	PRAKASAM	234
10	SRIKAKULAM	220
11	VISAKHAPATNAM	781
12	VIZIANAGARAM	211
13	WEST GODAVARI	628
TOTAL		6,076

(b) State wise count of PDO Aggregators, as on 28.02.2026, is as under:

S.No	State	No. of Public Data Office Aggregators under PM-WANI
1	Andaman & Nicobar	5
2	Andhra Pradesh	21
3	Arunachal Pradesh	4
4	Assam	15
5	Bihar	40
6	Chandigarh	6
7	Chhattisgarh	20
8	Delhi	47
9	Goa	7
10	Gujarat	25
11	Himachal Pradesh	12
12	Haryana	32

13	Jharkhand	23
14	Jammu & Kashmir	10
15	Karnataka	44
16	Kerala	16
17	Ladakh	1
18	Lakshadweep	1
19	Maharashtra	52
20	Meghalaya	4
21	Manipur	8
22	Madhya Pradesh	34
23	Mizoram	2
24	Nagaland	7
25	Odisha	30
26	Punjab	26
27	Puducherry	5
28	Rajasthan	32
29	Sikkim	2
30	Telangana	21
31	Tamil Nadu	31
32	Tripura	8
33	Uttarakhand	22
34	Uttar Pradesh	55
35	West Bengal	47

PDO Aggregators operating in Andhra Pradesh, as on 28.02.2026 is as under:

S.No	PDO Aggregator Name
1	CSC WI-FI CHOUPAL SERVICES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED
2	Microsense Networks Private Limited
3	RAILTEL CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED
4	Remote Engineers Managed IT Services Private Limited
5	TESS AND TERA TECHNO SOLUTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED
6	MatreComm Technologies Private Limited
7	SPIKTEL TECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED
8	VBC ENGINEERS PVT LTD
9	RUBANI PRODUCTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED
10	XB INFOTECH PRIVATE LIMITED
11	BHEEMAVARAM BROADBAND SERVICES PRIVATE LIMITED
12	SIMPLIFON TECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED
13	Nanovise Solutions Private Limited
14	BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED
15	Immunity Networks and Technologies Private Limited

16	AMBORSIA INTERNATIONAL EXPORT PRIVATE LIMITED
17	SPH BOHARA TECHNOLOGY PRIVATE LIMITED
18	TRUE WIFI NETWORKS PRIVATE LIMITED
19	AXPECT INFOTECH NETWORK PRIVATE LIMITED
20	Secure E techno World Private Limited
21	INVENTOSYS TECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED

(c) As on 28.02.2026, under PMWANI framework 2,44,67,896 users have utilized the PMWANI Wi-Fi network across India. State wise count of beneficiaries is not maintained.

(d) The average investment required to become a Public Data Office and suggestive business model under PM-WANI has been provided in public domain and can be accessed at https://pmwani.gov.in/assets/landing-page/booklets/Booklet_PDO_English.pdf

(e) & (f) Under the PM-WANI framework, the Government's role is limited to policy enablement, with no separate funding provided to States, Union Territories, Public Data Offices (PDOs), or Public Data Office Aggregators (PDOAs) for participation in the ecosystem. Service provision under PM-WANI is entirely market-driven, relying on local entrepreneurial initiative. Public Wi-Fi hotspots are deployed by entities based solely on techno-commercial viability in specific areas.
