

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 705
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03RD DECEMBER, 2021**

MOBILE SERVICES IN VILLAGES

705# SHRI BRIJLAL:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has introduced mobile services in all the villages of the country till date, if not, the reasons therefor and by when the mobile services would be started in all the villages of the country; and
- (b) if so, the State-wise details of the villages?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN)**

(a)&(b) As per data provided by Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) and field units of Department of Telecommunications as on December 2020, it is estimated that out of 5,97,618 inhabited villages (as per Census-2011) in the country, 5,72,551 villages have mobile connectivity. Remaining villages are being covered by Government under USOF schemes as well as by Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) in a phased manner. State/UT wise details of the villages are given in **Annexure**.

Annexure referred to in reply of para (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 705 to be answered on 03rd December 2021 raised by Hon'ble Member of Parliament regarding "Mobile Services in Villages"

Sr. No.	State/UT	Total No. of inhabited villages as per Census 2011	No. of inhabited villages with mobile connectivity as per 2020 data	No. of Uncovered villages
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	396	245	151
2	Andhra Pradesh	16158	14371	1787
3	Arunachal Pradesh	5258	3035	2223
4	Assam	25372	24756	616
5	Bihar	39073	38828	245
6	Chandigarh	5	5	0
7	Chhattisgarh	19567	17720	1847
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	84	84	0
9	Goa	320	292	28
10	Gujarat	17843	17331	512
11	Haryana	6642	6642	0
12	Himachal Pradesh	17882	17499	383
13	Jammu & Kashmir	6101	5947	154
14	Jharkhand	29492	28348	1144
15	Karnataka	27397	26956	441
16	Kerala	1017	1017	0
17	Ladakh	236	172	64
18	Lakshadweep	6	5	1
19	Madhya Pradesh	51929	49317	2612
20	Maharashtra	40959	38631	2328
21	Manipur	2515	2052	463
22	Meghalaya	6459	4785	1674
23	Mizoram	704	498	206
24	Nagaland	1400	1256	144
25	NCT of Delhi	103	103	0
26	Odisha	47677	41578	6099

27	Puducherry	90	90	0
28	Punjab	12168	12168	0
29	Rajasthan	43264	42323	941
30	Sikkim	425	415	10
31	Tamil Nadu	15049	15000	49
32	Telangana	10128	9975	153
33	Tripura	863	832	31
34	Uttar Pradesh	97813	97486	327
35	Uttarakhand	15745	15319	426
36	West Bengal	37478	37470	8
Total		597618	572551	25067
