

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1491
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2022**

CONNECTIVITY BY OPTICAL FIBRE CABLES IN TELANGANA

1491 DR. K. LAXMAN:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of cities in Telangana which have been connected by optical fibre cables (OFC);
- (b) whether rural areas of Telangana are also being connected with OFC; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) All Cities/ Towns in the State of Telangana are having Optical Fibre connectivity, including 13 major cities (having more than 1 Lakh population as per Census 2011) namely Hyderabad, Warangal, Nizamabad, Khammam, Karimnagar, Ramagundam, Mahabubnagar, Nalgonda, Adilabad, Mancheri, Siddipet, Kothagudem, Jagtial.

(b) & (c) BharatNet project is implemented in a phased manner to provide broadband connectivity to all Gram Panchayats (GPs) in the country, including Telangana. As on June 2022, by laying 25,566 km Optical Fibre Cable, total 7,972 GPs are made Service Ready in Telangana.
