

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 72  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22<sup>ND</sup> JULY, 2022**

**INSTALLATION OF TELECOM TOWERS IN RURAL AREAS**

**\*72. SHRI S. SELVAGANABATHY:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of villages in rural areas of the country where telecom towers have been installed, State/UT and telecom company-wise, during each of the last two years and the current year; and
- (b) the number of such towers targeted for installation in rural areas in the coming financial year, State/UT-wise details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS &  
ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)**

- (a) & (b)** A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE RAJYA SABHA IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 72 FOR 22<sup>ND</sup> JULY, 2022 REGARDING “INSTALLATION OF TELECOM TOWERS IN RURAL AREAS”**

(a) As per the data provided by the field units of Department of Telecommunication, in around 1,19,000 number of inhabited census villages of the country where Base Transceiver Station(BTS) have been installed during the last two years and in the current year (up to 30.06.2022). The State/UT and Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) wise list is given in **Annexure-I**.

(b) The State/UT-wise details of the target for installation of BTS in rural areas for the rest of current financial year (July'2022-March'2023) are given in **Annexure-II**.

**Annexure-I**

**Annexure referred to in reply of para (a) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. \*72 to be answered on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 raised by Hon'ble Member of Parliament regarding "Installation of Telecom Towers in Rural Areas"**

S No.	State/UT	The number of Inhabited census villages in the rural area where Base Transceiver Station(BTS) have been set up in the last 2 years and current year(up to 30.06.2022)											
		Bharti Airtel Ltd			BSNL/MTNL			Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd			Vodafone India Ltd		
		2020-21	2021-22	Current Year (2022-23)	2020-21	2021-22	Current Year (2022-23)	2020-21	2021-22	Current Year (2022-23)	2020-21	2021-22	Current Year (2022-23)
1	Andaman & Nicobar	20	10	0	12	17	0	0	24	0	0	0	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	548	433	63	116	12	6	1509	762	174	320	2777	1315
3	Arunachal Pradesh	199	92	10	0	11	2	23	122	18	1	13	0
4	Assam	468	1119	272	0	6	1	821	3077	231	0	18	1
5	Bihar	3975	1876	980	1	0	0	1388	2746	294	4	0	0
6	Chandigarh	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
7	Chhattisgarh	63	88	92	11	6	1	798	1165	141	18	139	0
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	13	4	0	0	0	0	4	9	0	20	8	0
9	Goa	7	16	4	8	0	0	26	18	5	3	1	1
10	Gujarat	1181	433	48	37	23	2	1411	1580	285	1602	261	58
11	Haryana	1413	498	249	5	8	0	807	524	91	166	67	6
12	Himachal Pradesh	946	457	143	17	4	0	354	528	102	10	5	5
13	Jammu & Kashmir	541	354	183	2	0	0	190	168	38	1	28	2

14	Jharkhand	1695	782	185	1	0	0	986	1110	125	0	0	0
15	Karnataka	938	532	95	6	4	9	391	337	51	126	31	0
16	Kerala	305	185	64	66	43	5	66	43	91	0	11	0
17	Ladakh	11	5	1	7	5	5	14	54	8	0	0	0
18	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	283	255	350	0	0	0	1077	1989	142	196	711	0
20	Maharashtra	2007	1892	232	703	135	16	1783	2015	265	320	291	74
21	Manipur	495	107	15	0	0	0	49	105	13	0	0	0
22	Meghalaya	242	528	177	0	0	0	66	113	35	0	0	0
23	Mizoram	203	70	6	0	0	0	15	51	5	0	0	0
24	Nagaland	193	71	7	0	3	0	30	66	10	0	0	0
25	NCT of Delhi	7	3	0	0	0	0	7	14	0	8	0	0
26	Odisha	729	511	104	22	11	6	591	601	84	33	15	0
27	Puducherry	7	1	1	0	0	0	13	10	1	0	0	0
28	Punjab	345	347	35	0	0	0	1	0	0	120	636	108
29	Rajasthan	391	208	9	611	1416	48	40	48	4	1083	727	342
30	Sikkim	6	3	0	1	0	0	20	38	7	0	14	0
31	Tamil Nadu	461	275	18	224	8	0	1126	895	107	5	14	0
32	Telangana	708	322	80	50	32	5	645	570	10	68	24	0
33	Tripura	302	164	22	0	0	0	16	90	9	0	0	0
34	Uttar Pradesh	9161	6958	1604	76	16	1	1593	4224	794	2349	571	25
35	Uttarakhand	848	1026	131	10	4	0	537	535	54	365	53	18
36	West Bengal	785	349	227	246	111	38	222	435	36	476	285	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>29499</b>	<b>19978</b>	<b>5407</b>	<b>2232</b>	<b>1875</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>16619</b>	<b>24066</b>	<b>3230</b>	<b>7295</b>	<b>6701</b>	<b>1957</b>

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S No	State/UT	The number of such Base Transceiver Station(BTS) targeted for installation in rural areas in the rest of current financial year (July'2022-March'2023)			
		Bharti Airtel Ltd	BSNL	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd	Vodafone India Ltd
1	Andaman & Nicobar	73	64	27	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	0	62	0	Not yet planned
3	Arunachal Pradesh	540	40	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
4	Assam	350	380	Not yet planned.	0
5	Bihar	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
6	Chandigarh	-	Not yet planned	0	Not yet planned
7	Chhattisgarh	-	72	320	0
8	D&NH and D&D	0	0	Not yet planned	0
9	Goa	200	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
10	Gujarat	0	0	Not yet planned	0
11	Haryana	-	1381	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
12	Himachal Pradesh	Not yet planned.	-	Not yet planned.	Not yet planned
13	Jammu & Kashmir	122	-	52	Not yet planned
14	Jharkhand	-	911	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
15	Karnataka	500	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	211
16	Kerala	165	1438	Not yet planned	0
17	Ladakh	3	-	9	-
18	Lakshadweep	0	18	Not yet planned	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	Not yet planned	0	586	0
20	Maharashtra	2000	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
21	Manipur	25	50	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
22	Meghalaya	100	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
23	Mizoram	27	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
24	Nagaland	9	80	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
25	NCT of Delhi	-	0	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
26	Odisha	0	48	Not yet planned	0
27	Puducherry	0	0	0	0

28	Punjab	Not yet planned	-	0	Not yet planned
29	Rajasthan	1250	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
30	Sikkim	40	0	0	0
31	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0	0
32	Telangana	15 (LWE Phase -2 Sites)	15	Not yet planned	-
33	Tripura	47	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
34	Uttar Pradesh	Not yet planned	-	Not yet planned	Not yet planned
35	Uttarakhand	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	Not yet planned	0
36	West Bengal	1394	0	30	0

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