

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3548
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 22.03.2023

GHAR TAK FIBRE YOJANA

3548. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:
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SHRI BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ghar Tak Fibre Yojana is still ongoing and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of benefits being acquired from this scheme;
- (c) the details of total number of villages which have been connected with fibre till date, pan India; and
- (d) the details of villages in Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Odisha connected with fibre including Pali in Rajasthan, Gonda-Bahraich, Jhansi, Deoria districts of Uttar Pradesh and Balasore district of Odisha?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a): There is no such Program under Government of India for Ghar Tak Fibre Yojana.

(b): However, the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) / Bharat Broadband Nigam Limited (BBNL), Government of India is implementing the BharatNet project in a phased manner. The BharatNet project will connect Gram Panchayats (GPs) / Villages with broadband in the country. This infrastructure may be leased to Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) / Internet Service Providers (ISPs) for provision of internet connectivity in GPs / rural areas, including villages / Government institutions, schools and private areas.

The BharatNet network has been utilized for providing broadband connectivity in rural areas. As of February 2023, the status of utilization is as under:

No. of Fibre to the Home (FTTH) connections commissioned: 2,53,160
No. of Wi-Fi Hotspots installed at GPs: 1,04,671
Dark Fibre leased: 59,831 Km
Leased Bandwidth: 2,14,814 Mbps

(c): The number of Gram Panchayats (GPs) which have been connected on fibre under the BharatNet project as of February 2023 is 1,84,554.

(d): The details of GPs made service ready as of February 2023 are given below:

S.No.	State / District	No. of GPs made service ready on fibre
1.	Rajasthan	8,740

2.	Uttar Pradesh	41,479
3.	Odisha	6,741
4.	Pali, Rajasthan	317
5.	Gonda, Uttar Pradesh	261
6.	Bahraich, Uttar Pradesh	333
7.	Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh	467
8.	Deoria, Uttar Pradesh	944
9.	Balasore (Baleshwar), Odisha	360
