

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2887
ANSWERED ON 17TH DECEMBER, 2025**

BHARATNET IMPLEMENTATION IN KARNATAKA

2887. SHRI M MALLESH BABU:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise details of BharatNet implementation in Karnataka since its inception including total kilometres of optical fibre cable laid, number of Gram Panchayats connected, funds sanctioned, funds released, expenditure incurred and the present status of operationalisation;
- (b) the details of the number of districts and villages in Karnataka covered under the Digital India and Common Service Centre (CSC) Programme since 2014-15, details thereof;
- (c) the current status of 4G and 5G mobile network coverage in Karnataka, including total number of towers installed and locations where coverage gaps remain as well as Central funding released to BSNL;
- (d) the year-wise data on postal infrastructure modernisation in Karnataka including post offices computerised, connected under Core Banking Solution (CBS); and
- (e) the year-wise statistics of revenue collected from telecom and postal services in Karnataka since 2004-05?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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- (a) Year wise details of GPs made service ready, OFC laid (km) and fund disbursed for BharatNet in Karnataka since its inception is available on Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN) website (<https://usof.gov.in/en/parliament-questions>). As on 30.11.2025, 6084 Gram Panchayats (GPs) are Service-Ready and 14,217 KM of Optical Fibre Cable has been laid under BharatNet in Karnataka.
- (b) State and district wise details of CSCs are available on the website <https://csc.gov.in/>
- (c) The number of 4G and 5G BTSs in Karnataka are 1,21,301 and 34,024 respectively and 4G mobile coverage is available in 29,818 villages out of 29,209 in Karnataka. Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN) has disbursed fund of Rs. 316.35 crores to Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) for mobile projects in Karnataka.
- (d) All departmental post offices in Karnataka Circle have been computerized. Year-wise number of post offices connected to Core Banking Solution (CBS) is available on Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN) website (<https://usof.gov.in/en/parliament-questions>).
- (e) Year-wise statistics of revenue collected from telecom services and postal services in Karnataka are available on Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN) website (<https://usof.gov.in/en/parliament-questions>).
