

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2816  
ANSWERED ON 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2026**

**EXPANSION OF MOBILE TOWER CONNECTIONS IN ANDHRA PRADESH**

**2816. SHRI PUTTA MAHESH KUMAR:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the total number of mobile towers proposed under construction and presently functional in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise particularly Eluru District;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated, sanctioned, released and utilised for the expansion and construction of mobile tower infrastructure during the last five years, district-wise for Andhra Pradesh especially in Eluru District, State and year-wise;
- (c) the details of the employment and skill development opportunities generated for youth in Andhra Pradesh as a result of mobile tower construction and related infrastructure activities, district-wise; and
- (d) whether any mobile tower construction projects in Andhra Pradesh have been delayed and if so, the details thereof including the causes of such delays and the corrective measures undertaken by the Government to address the same?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
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- (a) Government through Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN) has undertaken several schemes for provision of 4G mobile services in identified uncovered villages/locations across the country including Andhra Pradesh State.

Under DBN funded Mobile schemes, 4,047 villages/locations have been covered with 4G mobile services through installation of 2,058 towers in Andhra Pradesh as on 30.06.2026. In Eluru district, 65 villages/locations have been covered with mobile services through installation of 56 towers.

As on 30.06.2026, the district-wise BTSs (Technology-wise) functional in Andhra Pradesh is attached as **Annexure-I**.

- (b) The State /UT-wise details of funds disbursed under various Mobile Projects of DBN during last five financial years is attached as **Annexure-II**.

- (c) Sir, no such record is maintained.

- (d) In Andhra Pradesh, Digital Bharat Nidhi is funding the following mobile connectivity projects:

- i. Mobile connectivity in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas: Phase2 (LWE-II)
- ii. Mobile connectivity in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas: Phase-I 4G Upgradation (LWE-I 4G Upgradation)
- iii. Provision of 4G based mobile services in identified uncovered villages in Aspirational Districts.
- iv. Saturation of 4G mobile services

Execution of some sites has faced delays due to factors such as unavailability of road access, delay in land allotment, forest, wildlife and right of way permission etc. Such issues are addressed in consultation with the State Government.

## Annexure-I

| 30.06.2026     |                |                              | BTS     |       |       |      |           |         |       |       |     |           |           |         |       |               |               |        |           |         |       |               | Grand Total |       |           |
|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|-----|-----------|-----------|---------|-------|---------------|---------------|--------|-----------|---------|-------|---------------|-------------|-------|-----------|
| LSA Name       | State/U T Name | District Name                | 2G BTS  |       |       |      |           | 3G BTS  |       |       |     |           | 4G BTS    |         |       |               |               | 5G BTS |           |         |       |               |             |       |           |
|                |                |                              | Airte l | BSN L | MTN L | VI   | 2G TOTA L | Airte l | BSN L | MTN L | V I | Relianc e | 3G TOTA L | Airte l | BSN L | Bhart i DNP L | Relianc e Jio | VI     | 4G TOTA L | Airte l | BSN L | Relianc e Jio |             | V I   | 5G TOTA L |
|                |                | Total                        | 10581   | 4117  | 0     | 5768 | 20466     | 0       | 178   | 0     | 0   | 0         | 178       | 18945   | 5985  | 0             | 37661         | 9713   | 72304     | 5855    | 0     | 15409         | 97          | 21361 | 114309    |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Ananthapuramu                | 534     | 174   | 0     | 213  | 921       | 0       | 12    | 0     | 0   | 0         | 12        | 905     | 200   | 0             | 2279          | 304    | 3688      | 234     | 0     | 832           | 0           | 1066  | 5687      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | SRI SATHYA SAI               | 399     | 129   | 0     | 154  | 682       | 0       | 10    | 0     | 0   | 0         | 10        | 643     | 153   | 0             | 1539          | 210    | 2545      | 168     | 0     | 590           | 0           | 758   | 3995      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Annamayya                    | 363     | 161   | 0     | 160  | 684       | 0       | 3     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 3         | 650     | 216   | 0             | 1290          | 268    | 2424      | 195     | 0     | 538           | 0           | 733   | 3844      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Chittoor                     | 434     | 151   | 0     | 192  | 777       | 0       | 4     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 4         | 723     | 237   | 0             | 1494          | 318    | 2772      | 178     | 0     | 726           | 0           | 904   | 4457      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | TIRUPATI                     | 609     | 223   | 0     | 286  | 1118      | 0       | 17    | 0     | 0   | 0         | 17        | 1259    | 270   | 0             | 2117          | 486    | 4132      | 381     | 0     | 941           | 30          | 1352  | 6619      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | ALLURI SITHARAMA RAJU        | 103     | 61    | 0     | 0    | 164       | 0       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 0         | 109     | 567   | 0             | 749           | 0      | 1425      | 0       | 0     | 80            | 0           | 80    | 1669      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Konaseema | 295     | 102   | 0     | 184  | 581       | 0       | 9     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 9         | 552     | 113   | 0             | 946           | 336    | 1947      | 210     | 0     | 479           | 0           | 689   | 3226      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | East Godavari                | 381     | 133   | 0     | 238  | 752       | 0       | 3     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 3         | 731     | 173   | 0             | 1254          | 433    | 2591      | 297     | 0     | 604           | 0           | 901   | 4247      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | KAKINADA                     | 402     | 137   | 0     | 261  | 800       | 0       | 3     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 3         | 793     | 186   | 0             | 1368          | 483    | 2830      | 308     | 0     | 612           | 0           | 920   | 4553      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Eluru                        | 431     | 187   | 0     | 285  | 903       | 0       | 6     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 6         | 729     | 256   | 0             | 1519          | 474    | 2978      | 244     | 0     | 660           | 0           | 904   | 4791      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | West Godavari                | 337     | 147   | 0     | 202  | 686       | 0       | 9     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 9         | 654     | 162   | 0             | 1202          | 382    | 2400      | 246     | 0     | 514           | 0           | 760   | 3855      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | BAPATLA                      | 320     | 106   | 0     | 190  | 616       | 0       | 6     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 6         | 552     | 108   | 0             | 994           | 334    | 1988      | 157     | 0     | 434           | 0           | 591   | 3201      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Guntur                       | 451     | 182   | 0     | 311  | 944       | 0       | 8     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 8         | 938     | 224   | 0             | 1721          | 534    | 3417      | 328     | 0     | 730           | 0           | 1058  | 5427      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | PALNADU                      | 406     | 142   | 0     | 271  | 819       | 0       | 6     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 6         | 675     | 157   | 0             | 1402          | 454    | 2688      | 196     | 0     | 554           | 0           | 750   | 4263      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Y S R                        | 466     | 206   | 0     | 213  | 885       | 0       | 19    | 0     | 0   | 0         | 19        | 816     | 246   | 0             | 1803          | 356    | 3221      | 216     | 0     | 753           | 0           | 969   | 5094      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Krishna                      | 368     | 122   | 0     | 231  | 721       | 0       | 4     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 4         | 666     | 166   | 0             | 1214          | 401    | 2447      | 225     | 0     | 510           | 0           | 735   | 3907      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | NTR                          | 486     | 199   | 0     | 309  | 994       | 0       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 0         | 969     | 248   | 0             | 1690          | 577    | 3484      | 331     | 0     | 738           | 0           | 1069  | 5547      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Kurnool                      | 443     | 165   | 0     | 243  | 851       | 0       | 10    | 0     | 0   | 0         | 10        | 789     | 198   | 0             | 1708          | 387    | 3082      | 241     | 0     | 650           | 0           | 891   | 4834      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | NANDYAL                      | 383     | 150   | 0     | 205  | 738       | 0       | 9     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 9         | 624     | 169   | 0             | 1321          | 305    | 2419      | 184     | 0     | 476           | 0           | 660   | 3826      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore  | 577     | 250   | 0     | 295  | 1122      | 0       | 6     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 6         | 1021    | 270   | 0             | 1897          | 489    | 3677      | 346     | 0     | 730           | 0           | 1076  | 5881      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Prakasam                     | 274     | 89    | 0     | 175  | 538       | 0       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 0         | 466     | 95    | 0             | 883           | 296    | 1740      | 140     | 0     | 346           | 0           | 486   | 2764      |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Markapuram                   | 212     | 95    | 0     | 146  | 453       | 0       | 0     | 0     | 0   | 0         | 0         | 303     | 111   | 0             | 891           | 235    | 1540      | 68      | 0     | 272           | 0           | 340   | 2333      |

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|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|---|-----|------|---|----|---|---|---|----|------|-----|---|------|-----|------|-----|---|-----|----|------|------|
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | PARVATHIPURA M MANYAM | 152 | 102 | 0 | 57  | 311  | 0 | 6  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6  | 202  | 168 | 0 | 552  | 68  | 990  | 27  | 0 | 172 | 0  | 199  | 1506 |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Srikakulam            | 431 | 184 | 0 | 192 | 807  | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1  | 722  | 232 | 0 | 1358 | 304 | 2616 | 177 | 0 | 572 | 0  | 749  | 4173 |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | VIZIANAGARAM          | 367 | 182 | 0 | 189 | 738  | 0 | 9  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9  | 585  | 215 | 0 | 1150 | 322 | 2272 | 158 | 0 | 496 | 0  | 654  | 3673 |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | ANAKAPALLI            | 348 | 117 | 0 | 209 | 674  | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1  | 599  | 178 | 0 | 1059 | 333 | 2169 | 171 | 0 | 450 | 0  | 621  | 3465 |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Visakhapatnam         | 535 | 184 | 0 | 346 | 1065 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 1183 | 271 | 0 | 2103 | 607 | 4164 | 421 | 0 | 900 | 67 | 1388 | 6634 |
| Andhra Pradesh | Andhra Pradesh | Polavaram             | 74  | 37  | 0 | 11  | 122  | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 87   | 396 | 0 | 158  | 17  | 658  | 8   | 0 | 50  | 0  | 58   | 838  |

## Annexure-II

**The State/UT-wise details of funds disbursed under various Mobile Projects of DBN during last five financial years (2021-22 to 2025-26)**

| Sl. No. | Name of States                                         | Total Fund disbursed<br>(Amount in Rs. crores) |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1       | Andaman & Nicobar                                      | 138                                            |
| 2       | <b>Andhra Pradesh</b>                                  | <b>1,249</b>                                   |
| 3       | Assam                                                  | 395                                            |
| 4       | Bihar                                                  | 195                                            |
| 5       | Chhattisgarh                                           | 1,071                                          |
| 6       | Gujarat (including Dadar & Nagar Have and Daman & Diu) | 398                                            |
| 7       | Haryana                                                | 3                                              |
| 8       | Himachal Pradesh                                       | 324                                            |
| 9       | Jammu and Kashmir (including Ladakh)                   | 589                                            |
| 10      | Jharkhand                                              | 957                                            |
| 11      | Karnataka                                              | 355                                            |
| 12      | Kerala                                                 | 190                                            |
| 13      | Lakshadweep                                            | 9                                              |
| 14      | Maharashtra (including Goa)                            | 1,738                                          |
| 15      | Madhya Pradesh                                         | 930                                            |
| 16      | NE-I (Meghalaya, Mizoram, Tripura)                     | 453                                            |
| 17      | NE-II( Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Nagaland)           | 1,099                                          |
| 18      | Odisha                                                 | 2,024                                          |
| 19      | Punjab                                                 | 23                                             |
| 20      | Rajasthan                                              | 832                                            |
| 21      | Tamil Nadu                                             | 155                                            |
| 22      | Telangana                                              | 213                                            |
| 23      | Uttar Pradesh                                          | 167                                            |
| 24      | Uttarakhand                                            | 335                                            |
| 25      | West Bengal (including Sikkim)                         | 62                                             |
|         | <b>Grand Total</b>                                     | <b>13,904</b>                                  |

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