

**Need to take urgent steps for installation of 4G towers across the country ?  
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**SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT (RATNAGIRI?SINDHUDURG):** BSNL has launched an ambitious project to roll-out 4G services across the country for better connectivity. The project would cover more than 29000 villages by providing 4G Towers for ensuring connectivity at all far flung and remote areas under the Government's 4G saturation plan. More than 24000 BSNL 4G Towers are proposed to be installed in the country in 500 days up to 31st December, 2023 to pave the way for 4G connectivity. However, the project for installation of 4G Towers is running behind the schedule and unlikely to be completed by 31st December, 2023. The main reason for delay in providing 4G Towers in the country is that only one Contractor has been assigned the job for installation of Towers in more than 3-4 states due to which the contractor is unable to complete the tower installation work on time. I would, therefore, urge the Hon'ble Minister of Communications to look into this matter and take urgent steps for installation of 4G Towers across the country in a time bound manner so that 4G services are rolled out at the earliest.