

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 409  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2024**

**MOBILE TOWERS IN ODISHA**

**409 SHRI PRADEEP PUROHIT:**

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of mobile towers installed in Odisha during last three years, village-wise, GP-wise in the district of Bargarh and Jharsuguda during the last three years; and
- (b) the expenditure incurred by the Government for the said installation in these districts of Odisha?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
(DR. PEMMASANI CHANDRA SEKHAR)**

- (a) The total number of mobile towers installed by all Telecom Service Providers in Odisha during last three years is 7,582. During last three years, in Bargarh district, 168 towers have been installed in 116 Gram Panchayats (GPs) that covers 165 villages and in Jharsuguda district, 75 towers have been installed in 51 GPs that covers 77 villages.
- (b) During last three years, through Government's Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) schemes, 1152 mobile towers have been installed in Odisha, which also include towers installed in Bargarh district. Total Rs.804.70 crore has been disbursed from USOF during last three years for installation of mobile towers in Odisha.

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