

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:566  
ANSWERED ON:21.11.2001  
TELEPHONE FACILITY IN PANCHAYATS  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the telephone facility has been provided to all Village Panchayats of the country by the Government;
- (b) if so, the number of village panchayats where the said facility has not been provided as yet particularly in Uttar Pradesh and Orissa, district-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to provide better telephone facility to the village panchayats?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. Still 35,525 village panchayats have not been provided with telecom facility in the country. In particular, 14297 village panchayats in Uttar Pradesh and 244 in Orissa are without telecom facility. District-Wise details are given in the enclosed annexure.

(c) New technologies like Wireless in Local Loop (WLL), CDOT TDMA/PMP and satellite are being inducted for covering remaining village panchayats. Faulty Multi Access Radio Relay (MARR) based village public telephones are planned to be replaced by new technology equipment subject to availability of funds.

**ANNEXURE**

**ORISSA CIRCLE**

S.No. NAME OF DISTRICT NO. UNCOVERED PANCHAYATS

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|-------------------|----|
| 1. ANGUL          | 9  |
| 2. BALASORE       | 3  |
| 3. BARAGARH       | 0  |
| 4. BHADRAK        | 1  |
| 5. BOLANGIR       | 22 |
| 6. BOUDH          | 11 |
| 7. CUTTACK        | 2  |
| 8. DEOGARH        | 7  |
| 9. DHENKANAL      | 10 |
| 10. GAJAPATI      | 2  |
| 11. GANJAM        | 5  |
| 12. JAGATSINGHPUR | 3  |
| 13. JAJPUR        | 6  |
| 14. JHARSUGUDA    | 11 |
| 15. KALAHANDI     | 17 |
| 16. KHONDAMAL     | 16 |
| 17. KENDRAPARA    | 6  |
| 18. KEONJHAR      | 0  |
| 19. KHURDA        | 0  |

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|----------------|----|
| 20. KORAPUT    | 25 |
| 21. MALKANGIRI | 31 |
| 22. MAYURBHANJ | 7  |
| 23. NOWRANGPUR | 10 |
| 24. NAYAGARH   | 1  |
| 25. NOWAPARA   | 9  |
| 26. PURI       | 1  |
| 27. RAYAGADA   | 4  |
| 28. SAMBALPUR  | 11 |
| 29. SONEPUR    | 11 |
| 30. SUNDERGARH | 3  |

TOTAL 244

Uttar Pradesh (East)

S.No. Name of District No. of uncovered village panchayats

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| 1. Allahabad        | 639 |
| 2. Kaushambi        | 102 |
| 3. Azamgarh         | 330 |
| 4. Balia            | 4   |
| 5. Basti            | 724 |
| 6. Sant Kabir Nagar | 468 |
| 7. Banda            | 0   |
| 8. Chitrakoot       | 0   |
| 9. Bahraich         | 166 |
| 10. Shrawasti       | 95  |
| 11. Barabanki       | 228 |
| 12. Deoria          | 422 |
| 13. Kushi Nagar     | 548 |
| 14. Etawah          | 132 |
| 15. Auriya          | 170 |
| 16. Faizabad        | 167 |
| 17. Ambedkarnagar   | 388 |
| 18. Farrukhabad     | 41  |
| 19. Kannauj         | 5   |
| 20. Fatehpur        | 30  |
| 21. Gorakhpur       | 390 |
| 22. Gonda           | 486 |
| 23. Balrampur       | 192 |
| 24. Ghazipur        | 746 |
| 25. Hardoi          | 269 |
| 26. Hamirpur        | 46  |
| 27. Mahoba          | 17  |
| 28. Jaunpur         | 826 |
| 29. Jhansi          | 0   |
| 30. Jalaun          | 0   |
| 31. Kanpur City     | 12  |
| 32. Kanpur Dehat    | 90  |
| 33. Lucknow         | 0   |
| 34. Lakhimpur       | 0   |
| 35. Lalitpur        | 0   |
| 36. Mainpuri        | 140 |
| 37. Mirzapur        | 0   |
| 38. Mau             | 85  |
| 39. Maharajganj     | 154 |
| 40. Pratapgarh      | 460 |
| 41. Raebareli       | 181 |
| 42. Sultanpur       | 321 |
| 43. Sitapur         | 176 |
| 44. Shahjahanpur    | 648 |
| 45. Sidharth Nagar  | 826 |
| 46. Sonebhadra      | 0   |

47. Unnao 86  
48 Varanasi 278  
49. Bhadohi 216  
50. Chandauli 352  
51. Ferozabad 84  
Total 11740

UTTAR PRADESH (WEST)

NAME OF DISTRICT VILLAGE PANCHAYATS YET TO BE COVERED

AGRA 0  
FEROZABAD 0  
ALIGARH 9  
HATHRAS 2  
BADAUN 500  
BAREILLY 36  
BIJNOR 0  
BULANSHAHAR 267  
ETAH 440  
GHAZIABAD 20  
MATHURA 22  
MEERUT 25  
BAGPAT 5  
MORADABAD 275  
J.P. NAGAR 355  
MUZAFFARANAGAR 0  
NOIDA 65  
PILIBHAT 449  
RAMPUR 29  
SAHARANPUR 58

TOTAL 2557