

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 244
ANSWERED ON 17TH DECEMBER, 2025**

BHARAT TELECOM 2025

†*244. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the core objectives and expected outcomes of Bharat Telecom 2025;
- (b) the achievements made in the field of digital infrastructure in rural areas and at national level since May 2014; and
- (c) the nature and scope of international participation under Bharat Telecom 2025?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN
REGION
(SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)**

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE OF LOK SABHA IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.244 FOR 17TH DECEMBER, 2025 REGARDING “BHARAT TELECOM 2025.”

(a) The core objective and expected outcome of Bharat Telecom 2025 was to facilitate interactions between potential global buyers and domestic telecom equipment manufacturers as well as solution providers.

(b) Some of the major achievements made in the field of digital infrastructure at the rural and national level since May 2014 are as under:

- (i) The total number of Base Transceiver Stations (BTSS) has increased from 6,49,834 as on 31.03.2014 to 31,44,559 as on 31.10.2025.
- (ii) 5G service, launched in India on 1st October 2022, is presently available in 99.9% of the districts in the country. As on 31.10.2025, 5,08,730 5G BTSS have been installed by the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs).
- (iii) Mobile coverage in villages has improved from 90.68% in 2014 to 98.43% as of October, 2025, covering 6,34,019 out of 6,44,131 villages. Additionally, under the BharatNet project, 2.14 lakh Gram Panchayats have been made service-ready.

(c) 135 international delegates from 31 countries participated at Bharat Telecom 2025 for exploring investment and partnership opportunities.
