

INTERNET SHUTDOWNS IN INDIA SINCE 2012*

S. No.	Year	State	Region	Reason	Kind of service restricted	Duration	Nature
1.	2018	Jammu and Kashmir	Bandipore	Internet services were suspended on 1st March, 2018 in the Bandipora district of Jammu and Kashmir as a preventive measure following the killing of LeT militant in a gun battle with government forces in Hajin township of North Kashmir.	Mobile	No Info	Reactive
2.	2018	Rajasthan	Tonk	Following the clashes between two communities in Tonk district of Rajasthan, mobile Internet services were suspended on 18th February 2018 , for 24 hours.	Mobile	24 Hours	Reactive
3.	2018	Uttar Pradesh	Firozabad	Mobile Internet services were suspended for a few hours in Firozabad district of Uttar Pradesh on 16th February 2018. The services were suspended to prevent rumour mongering in the view of alleged assault on two minority group men and a police officer	Mobile	No Info	Reactive

*This data was updated on 16th August, 2017. If you know of an incident we have missed from the list, please write to us at mail@sflc.in with the subject line 'Missed Internet shutdown', preferably with a news report for corroboration.

				by 3 BJMY members along with 20 others.			
4.	2018	Rajasthan	Ajmer, Alwar, Banswara, Baran, Barmer, Bharatpur, Bhilwara, Bikaner, Bundi, Churu, Chittaurgarh, Dausa, Dhaulpur, Dungarpur, Ganganagar, Hanumangarh, Jaipur, Jaisalmer, Jalor, Jhalawar, Jhunjhun, Jodhpur, Karauli, Rajasamand, Sawai Madhopur, Sikar, Sirohi, Tonk, Udaipur	On 11th February, 2018 jammers were used and internet services were suspended around some exam centres across the state of Rajasthan to prevent cheating in Rajasthan Eligibility Examination for Teachers (REET).	Mobile	No Info	Preventive
5.	2018	Jammu and Kashmir	Kupwara, Sopore and Baramulla	Mobile Internet services were reportedly suspended in Kupwara, Sopore and Baramulla areas of Kashmir for approximately 12 hours on the night intervening 03 to 04 February 2018 to	Mobile	12 Hours	Preventive

				prevent rumours following reports of a Cordon and Search Operation in Kupwara. The reports were denied by police .			
6.	2018	Uttar Pradesh	Aligarh	Internet was shut down from 27 January 2018 to 10 pm on 28 January 2018 in Kasganj district of Uttar Pradesh following violent clashes that have ensued since the death of a 16 year old boy in stone pelting and firing of gun(s) on Republic Day - 26 January 2018. The area was already under curfew for a day before the shutdown was imposed.	No Info	24 hours	Reactive
7.	2018	Jammu and Kashmir	Anantnag, Bandipore, Badgam, Baramula, Ganderbal, Kupwara, Pulwama & Srinagar	Mobile Internet was shut down on January 25 at 7:30 PM across the entire Kashmir Valley in anticipation of militant activity on Republic Day - January 26.	Mobile	24 hours	Preventive
8.	2018	Jammu and Kashmir	Shupiyan, Pulwama, Anantnag & Kulgam	Pulwama, Shupiyan, Anantnag and Kulgam faced an Internet shutdown starting from 24 January 2018, while the rest of Kashmir's Internet speeds were reduced to 128 kbps	Mobile	No info	Preventive

				following the death of two militants and a civilian.			
9.	2018	Jammu and Kashmir	Anantnag & Kulgam	Mobile Internet service were suspended in the twin districts of Anantnag and Kulgam of Kashmir on 9th January, 2018 following clashes in Larnoo area after protests by youth to disrupt the anti-militant operation wherein one militant was killed by the government forces. The services were reportedly restored in the area in the morning of 11th January, 2018 .	Mobile Internet services	42 hours	Reactive
10.	2018	Jammu and Kashmir	Badgam	Mobile Internet service in central Kashmir's Badgam district were suspended yet again on 8th January, 2018 to prevent rumour mongering as a gunfight raged between militants and government forces in Patrigam village of Chadoora.	Mobile Internet services	No info	Preventive
11.	2018	Maharashtra	Kolhapur	Following protests by Dalit groups during the day-long bandh, called to protest against the violence post the celebrations of Bhima Koregaon	No info.	24 hours	Reactive

				battle, Internet services were suspended in Kolhapur district of Maharashtra on 4th January, 2018 for a period of 24 hours due to escalating tension in the district.			
12.	2018	Maharashtra	Aurangabad	In the wake of Maharashtra bandh called by Dalit organisations protesting the clashes at the bicentenary celebrations of the battle of Bhima-Koregaon on 1 st January, Internet services were suspended on 3 rd January, 2018 in Aurangabad district of Maharashtra.	Mobile Internet	No info.	Reactive
13.	2017	Rajasthan	Bundi	Amid the call given by some Hindu organizations to perform puja on 1 st January at Maandhata Balaji Temple in Bundi city, Kota divisional commissioner on Saturday issued orders to temporarily suspend internet services including 2G, 3G, 4G data, bulk SMS, Whatsapp, Facebook, Twitter and other social sites in Bundi	Mobile Internet	24-72 hours	Preventive

				district for 48 hours, from 6am on 31st December to 6am on 2 nd January, 2018.			
14.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Pulwama district of Jammu and Kashmir on 31st December, 2017 after a group of militants entered into commando training centre (CTC) of CRPF at Lethpora area of Pulwama triggering fierce gunfights.	Mobile Internet	No info.	Preventive
15.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama	Mobile Internet was suspended in the Pulwama district of Kashmir on 26th December, 2017 following the killing of top Jaish-e-Muhammad commander Noor Muhammad.	Mobile Internet	No info.	Preventive
16.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama and Shopian	Mobile Internet services were suspended for three days in the twin districts of Pulwama and Shopian in south Kashmir on 18th December, 2017 in the wake of a gunfight between militants and government forces in Batmurrin village of Shopian district.	Mobile Internet	72 hours	Reactive

17.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kupwara	Mobile internet services were suspended in Kupwara district of Jammu and Kashmir on 17th December, 2017 as a precautionary measure after protests erupted over the death of a taxi driver who was killed in Army firing.	Mobile Internet	No info.	Preventive
18.	2017	Telangana	Adilabad	Internet services were suspended in Adilabad district of Telangana on 16th December, 2017 as a precautionary measure to curb the spread of rumours on social media in the wake of clashes between Adivasis and Lambadas.	No info.	No info.	Preventive
19.	2017	Rajasthan	Udaipur and Rajsamand	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Udaipur and Rajsamand district of Rajasthan in the evening of 13th December, 2017 as a precautionary measure for a period of 24 hours after some Hindu organizations announced a rally in support of Shambhu Raigar, who brutally murdered a Muslim man and filmed the	Mobile Internet	24 hours	Preventive

				act over love jihad.			
20.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Sopore, Baramulla, Handwara, Kupwara	Mobile Internet services were suspended on 11th December, 2017 in Sopore, Baramulla, Handwara and Kupwara districts of Jammu and Kashmir as a precautionary measure following the killing of three militants in Handwara's Yunso village.	Mobile Internet	No info.	Preventive
21.	2017	Rajasthan	Bhilwara, Chittorgarh, Nimbahera	Internet services were suspended in Bhilwara, Chittorgarh and Nimbahera of Rajasthan on 3rd December, 2017 to prevent rumours from spreading on social media after clashes between two communities broke out when muslim community was taking out barawafat procession on the occasion of Eid-e-Milad.	No info.	No info.	Reactive
22.	2017	Haryana	Jind, Hansi, Bhiwani, Hisar, Fatehabad, Karnal, Panipat, Kaithal, Rohtak, Sonipat, Jhajjar, Bhiwani,	Mobile Internet services were suspended in 13 districts of Haryana including Jind, Hansi, Bhiwani, Hisar, Fatehabad, Karnal, Panipat, Kaithal, Rohtak, Sonipat, Jhajjar, Bhiwani and	Mobile Internet	25 to 72 hours	Preventive

			Charkhi Dadri	Charkhi Dadri on 24th November, 2017 for 72 hours apprehending breach of law and order problems in view of two public rallies by a Jat body and ruling BJP's Kurukshetra lawmaker being organised on 26th November, 2017.			
23.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama	Internet services were suspended in Pulwama district of Kashmir on 2nd November, 2017 following a gunfight in which two army soldiers and a militant were killed in Pulwama.	Mobile Internet services	No info.	Preventive
24.	2017	Bihar	Arwal, Bhojpur, Jamui, Katihar, Sitamarhi, West Champaran	Internet services were suspended in several districts of Bihar including Arwal, Jamui, Bhojpur, Katihar, Sitamarhi and West Champaran on 1st October, 2017 to check spreading of rumours following instances of communal violence in the districts. The services were reported to have been restored in Bhojpur on 4 th morning, in Jamui on 4 th October midnight while in other districts on 5 th	No info.	More than 72hrs	Reactive

				October.			
25.	2017	Bihar	Nawada	Internet services were suspended in Nawada district of Bihar on 28th September, 2017 till 5 th November to prevent spread of any inflammatory message on social media after communal tension gripped some areas in the district when an idol of Goddess Durga was damaged in stone pelting by a group of anti-social elements.	No info.	More than 72 hours	Reactive
26.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Baramulla	Kashmir saw yet another shutdown as mobile Internet services were suspended in Baramulla district, including Sopore town, on 26th September, 2017 to prevent rumours after the killing of top militant commander Abdul Qayoom Najar.	Mobile Internet services	No Info.	Preventive
27.	2017	Tripura	Agartala	Internet services were suspended as a preventive measure in Agartala city of Tripura on 21st September, 2017 following the killing of a journalist, who was covering a clash between two political parties in Mandwai of West	No info.	More than 72 hours	Preventive

				Tripura. The services were reportedly restored on 25th September, 2017 .			
28.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kulgam, Anantnag	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Kulgam and Anantnag districts of Jammu and Kashmir on 11th September, 2017 to prevent spreading of rumours after two militants were killed in a gunfight with government forces.	Mobile	Info not available	Preventive
29.	2017	Rajasthan	Sikar	Mobile and broadband Internet services were suspended in Sikar district of Rajasthan on 11th September, 2017 to prevent law and order circumstances after the situation became intense with farmers setting off on a march to seize the collectorate following the ongoing farmers' protest in the State.	Both	Info not available	Preventive
30.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Baramula	Internet services were suspended on 9th September, 2017 in the Sopore town of Baramula district in Jammu and Kashmir as a preventive measure after a gunfight between militants and security forces	Info not available	Info not available	Preventive

				broke out in the town.			
31.	2017	Rajasthan	Jaipur	Mobile Internet services were imposed in several parts of Jaipur city in Rajasthan on 9th September, 2017 as a reactive measure after one person was killed and 11 others were injured in a clash between locals and police personnels in the city.	Mobile Internet	Info not available	Reactive
32.	2017	Haryana	Sirsa	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Sirsa district of Haryana on 8th September, 2017 till 10th September to prevent rumour mongering and disturbance of public order in view of the 'sanitisation' process being carried out at the Dera Sacha Sauda headquarters.	Mobile Internet	25 to 72 hours	Preventive
33.	2017	Bihar	Madhepura , Supaul, Saharsa, Purnia, Araria, Kishanganj , Katihar	Internet services were suspended in seven districts of Bihar on 5th September, 2017 as a precautionary measure to prevent spread of rumours following communal tensions after dozens of slaughtered cattle carcasses were	Info not available	25 to 72 hours	Preventive

				found floating in a canal in Bihar's Madhepura district.			
34.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kupwara	Mobile Internet services were suspended yet again in Kupwara district of Jammu and Kashmir on 4th September, 2017 as a precautionary measure after two Hizbul Mujahideen militants were killed in a gunfight in Sopore district of Kashmir.	Mobile Internet	Info not available	Preventive
36.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Shopian, Kulgam	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Shopian and Kulgam districts in Jammu and Kashmir on 2nd September, 2017 as a reactive measure after clashes broke out following the killing of a LeT terrorist in an encounter with the security forces.	Mobile Internet	Info not available	Reactive
37.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama	After a 'Fidayeen' attack by the militants on District Police Lines, mobile Internet services were suspended in Pulwama district of Kashmir on 26th August, 2017 as a precautionary measure to prevent law and order situation.	Mobile Internet	Information not available	Preventive
38.	2017	Rajasthan	Ganganaga	Following the	Mobile	25 to 72 hours	Reactive

			r, Hanumang arh	conviction of Dera Sacha Sauda chief Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh in a rape case, mobile Internet services were suspended in the districts of Sriganganagar and Hanumangarh on 25th August, 2017 for 48 hours in response to the violent backlash from the Dera followers.	Internet		
39.	2017	Chandigarh	Chandigarh	Ahead of the verdict in the rape case against Dera Sacha Sauda chief Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh, mobile Internet services were suspended in Chandigarh on 24th August, 2017 for 72 hours as a precautionary measure anticipating violent backlash from the Dera followers.	Mobile Internet	25 to 72 hours	Preventive
40.	2017	Haryana	All the districts of Haryana	Ahead of the verdict in the rape case against Dera Sacha Sauda chief Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh, mobile Internet services were suspended in Haryana on 24th August, 2017 for 72 hours as a	Mobile Internet	More than 72 hours	Preventive

				<p>precautionary measure anticipating violent backlash from the Dera followers. The ban was further extended till 29th August, 2017. While the internet was restored in other parts, it continued to remain suspended in seven 'sensitive' districts of Haryana till 30th August, 2017.</p>			
41.	2017	Punjab	All the districts of Punjab	<p>Ahead of the verdict in the rape case against Dera Sacha Sauda chief Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh, mobile Internet services were suspended in Punjab on 24th August, 2017 for 72 hours as a precautionary measure anticipating violent backlash from the Dera followers. The ban was further extended till 29th August, 2017.</p>	Mobile Internet	More than 72 hours	Preventive
42.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama	<p>Mobile Internet services were suspended yet again in Pulwama district of Kashmir on 16th August, 2017 to prevent rumour mongering after a Lashkar commander was killed in a</p>	Mobile Internet	Ongoing	Preventive

				gunfight with the security forces.			
43.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Mobile and broadband Internet services were suspended in the Kashmir valley in the morning of 15th August, 2017 as a precautionary measure on Independence Day. Services were reportedly restored later in the day.	Both	Less than 24 hours.	Preventive
44.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Shopian, Kulgam	Internet services were suspended in Shopian and Kulgam district of Kashmir on 13th August, 2017 to prevent the spreading of information after three Hizbul Mujahideen militants including the operations commander, and two army men were killed in an encounter.	No Info.	Ongoing	Preventive
45.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama	Internet services were suspended in Pulwama district of Kashmir on 9th August, 2017 as a precautionary measure after three militants were killed in a gunfight with the Government forces in the Tral township. However, the services on	No info.	Ongoing	Preventive

				state-owned Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited remained functional.			
46.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Baramulla	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Baramulla district of Kashmir as a precautionary measure on 5th August, 2017 after three LeT militants were killed in an encounter with the security forces in the Sopore town of the district.	Mobile Internet	Ongoing	Preventive
47.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Mobile Internet services were suspended yet again across Kashmir on 1st August, 2017 as a precautionary measure fearing clashes after the killing of Lashkar-e-Toiba commander Abu Dujana and his aide in an encounter with the security forces. The services were restored on 2nd August, 2017 after remaining suspended for over 24 hours.	Mobile Internet	24 hours or more	Preventive
48.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Pulwama district of Kashmir on 30th July, 2017 as a preventive measure to prevent spreading	Mobile Internet	No info.	Preventive

				of rumours following the killing of two militants in a shootout in Tahab village.			
49.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Budgam	Mobile Internet services were suspended on 21st July, 2017 in Budgam district of Kashmir as a precautionary measure after a young tailor was killed in army firing in Beerwah town of the district. The services were reported to have been restored on 25th July, 2017 , four days after they were suspended.	Mobile Internet	73 hours or more	Preventive
50.	2017	Tripura	Agartala, all districts	Internet services were suspended in Tripura on the morning of 20th July, 2017 to prevent Indigenous Peoples Front of Tripura (IPFT) from spreading false propoganda following the eleven day blockade demanding a separate tribal State 'Tipraland'. The services were restored on 20th July, 2017 - 14 hours after they were shut.	No info.	Less than 24 hours.	Preventive
51.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	While mobile Internet services were already shut,	Broadband	No info.	Preventive

				broadband services too were snapped in Kashmir Valley on 18th July, 2017 as a precautionary measure after the killing of three terrorist in an encounter with the security forces.			
52.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Mobile Internet services were shut down yet again as a precautionary measure in Anantnag district on 16th July, 2017 following the killing of militants in gun-battle with forces on 15 th July.	Mobile Internet	No info.	Preventive
53.	2017	Gujarat	Morbi, Surendranagar	Internet services were suspended in Morbi and Surendranagar districts of Gujarat on 14th July, 2017 to prevent rumour mongering on social media following violent clashes between members of Bharwad and Rajput communities. The services were restored on 18th July, 2017.	Info not available	73 hours or more	Preventive
54.	2017	Rajasthan	Nagaur, Bikaner, Churu, Sikar	Internet services were suspended in the evening of 11th July, 2017 in the districts of Nagaur, Bikaner, Churu and Sikar to prevent	No info.	24-72 hours	Preventive

				spread of rumours after the violence in Sanvrad with Rajput community demanding Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) enquiry in the encounter of gangster Anand Pal Singh. The services reportedly resumed on 14th July, 2017 .			
55.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Jammu	Both Internet and broadband services were suspended in Jammu late at night on 10th July, 2017 as a precautionary measure following the killing of Amarnath pilgrims in a militant attack in the Kashmir Valley. The services were reportedly restored on 12th July, 2017 , 36 hours after they were suspended.	Both	25-72 hours	Preventive
56.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Just a day after the Internet services were restored, both mobile and broadband Internet services were again suspended in the Kashmir Valley in the night of 10th July, 2017 at 10 pm as a precautionary measure after the appeal of separatists to people to launch a "Kashmir	Both	24 hours or less	Preventive

				awareness" campaign on social media on 11th July. However, the services were restored in the midnight after remaining suspended for around two hours.			
57.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Both mobile and broadband Internet services were suspended in the Kashmir Valley on 6th July, 2017 as a precautionary measure in view of law and order situations on the first death anniversary of Hizbul Mujahideen 'commander' Burhan Wani. While the 2G mobile Internet services were restored on the night of 8th July, 2017, broadband services were restored in the morning of 9th July, 2017 .	Both	25 to 72 hours	Preventive
58.	2017	West Bengal	North 24 Parganas	Baduria and Basirhat areas of North 24 Parganas district in West Bengal saw suspension of Internet services on 5th July, 2017 after violent communal clashes broke out over an objectionable	Information not available	73 hours or more	Reactive

				Facebook post by a 17 year old boy. The services were restored on July 10th, 2017 in Basirhat.			
59.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Anantnag	Mobile Internet services were shutdown on 1st July, 2017 to prevent rumour mongering on social media websites after violent clashes between militants and government forces in Brenthi Dialgam village.	Mobile Internet	No info.	Reactive
60.	2017	Rajasthan	Churu, Nagaur	Mobile Internet was suspended on 30th June, 2017 to prevent rumour mongering after the protests by the Rajput community over the encounter killing of gangster intensified. The services were reportedly restored on July 5, 2017 .	Mobile Internet	73 hours or more	Preventive
61.	2017	West Bengal	Darjeeling	Days after mobile Internet services were shutdown in Darjeeling, broadband services were also suspended in the area for a period of 7 days on 20th June, 2017 in the interest of public safety, following the indefinite strike by Gorkha Janmukti Morcha (GJM) for a	Broadband	Ongoing	Preventive

				separate Gorkhaland.			
62.	2017	West Bengal	Darjeeling	Mobile Internet services were blocked in Darjeeling on 18th June, 2017 following deaths of party supporters in violent clashes between the Gorkha Janmukti Morcha and security forces after the former called for a complete strike in its agitation for a separate Gorkhaland.	Mobile Internet	Ongoing	Reactive
63.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Mobile Internet was shutdown again in Kashmir Valley on 16th June, 2017 as a precautionary measure after firing by the security forces' caused the death of a youth leading to escalated tensions in the region. The services resumed on June 19th, 2017 .	Mobile Internet	73 hours or more	Preventive
64.	2017	Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur	Internet services were suspended in Saharanpur district yet again on 8th June, 2017 following the arrest of the main accused in Saharanpur violence, for a period of two days, to prevent any unrest. The services	Information not available	73 hours or more	Preventive

				were reportedly restored in the afternoon of 12th June, 2017 .			
65.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Kashmir Valley witnessed another suspension of mobile Internet services on 7th June, 2017 after the death of a civilian in firing by security forces.	Mobile Internet	No info.	Preventive
66.	2017	Madhya Pradesh	Mandsaur, Ratlam, Ujjain, Neemuch, Indore, Dewas	Internet services were suspended in the districts of Mandsaur, Ratlam, Ujjain, Neemuch, Indore, Dewas on 6 th June, 2017 following the farmers' protest in Madhya Pradesh demanding higher rates for their produce. The services were restored on 11th June, 2017 .	Information not available	73 hours or more	Preventive
67.	2017	Maharashtra	Nashik	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Nashik for a few hours on 5th June, 2017 as the State-wide strike called by farmers turned violent in the former area.	Mobile Internet	Less than 24 hours	Reactive
68.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Mobile Internet services were suspended yet again in the Kashmir Valley region as a preventive measure on 27th May, 2017 in order to check	Mobile Internet	More than 72 hours	Preventive

				rumour mongering following the encounter of a Hizbul terrorist. The services were reportedly restored on 2nd June, 2017 .			
69.	2017	Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur	Mobile Internet services were suspended in Saharanpur on 24th April, 2017 to contain rumour mongering on social media amid violent caste based clashes between Dalit and Rajput community. The services were restored after 10 days on June 3, 2017 .	Mobile Internet	73 hours or more	Reactive
70.	2017	Odisha	Kendrapara	Internet services were reportedly suspended for 48 hours in Kendrapara on 19th April, 2017 to prevent rumor mongering over a social media post with objectionable content. The services were reported to be restored on 21st April, 2017 .	Information not available	25 to 72 hours	Preventive
71.	2017	Rajasthan	Udaipur and Fatehnagar	As a precautionary measure, mobile Internet services were suspended in Udaipur and Fatehnagar areas on late 18^h April, 2017 to curb the	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive

				<p>escalation of tensions over a social media post saying, "Pakistan zindabad hai, a ur zindabad rahega.". The service was reported to be restored on 19th April, 2017.</p>			
72.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir valley	<p>Mobile Internet services were ordered to be suspended yet again on 17th April, 2017 as students across the Valley held protests against the recent clashes between students and police in Pulwama district. Moreover, social media websites were ordered to be restricted even on fixed line networks to restrict the spread of rumors and messages. The mobile Internet services were reportedly restored on 29th April, 2017 following the direction of the State Government to block access to 22 social media sites and applications on all platforms.</p>	Mobile Internet	73 hours and more	Reactive
73.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir valley	<p>On 13th April, 2017, broadband services were suspended yet</p>	Both	Less than 24 hours	Preventive

				again in light of re-polling in 38 stations of Budgam district. Both, broadband services, as well as mobile Internet that was suspended since 9 th April, 2017 was restored in the evening of 13 th April, 2017.			
74.	2017	Odisha	Bhadrak	As a preventive measure in the area that recently witnessed communal violence over derogatory remarks about Hindu deities, Internet services were reportedly suspended for 48 hours under Section 5 of the Telegraph Act on 9th April, 2017 . These services were reportedly restored on 11th April, 2017 .	Information not available	25 to 72 hours	Preventive
75.	2017	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmir valley	Both, mobile and broadband services were suspended from midnight in three districts of Srinagar, Budgam, and Gandarbal on 8th April, 2017 as a precautionary measure to curb spread of rumors ahead of the Srinagar bypoll. However, the restriction on	Both	Broadband: 25 to 72 hours Mobile: 73 hours or more	Preventive

				<p>Internet services was extended to the entire Kashmir valley on 9th April, 2017.</p> <p>While broadband services were restored on 11th April, 2017, mobile Internet services remained suspended till 13th April, 2017.</p>			
76.	2017	Rajasthan	Sikar	<p>Mobile Internet services were suspended in the Sikar district of Rajasthan on 31st March, 2017 after clashes amongst youngsters during a religious procession resulted in stone-pelting, injuring one policeman. Mobile Internet services were restored in the evening on 6th April, 2017.</p>	Mobile Internet	73 hours or more	Reactive
77.	2017	Haryana	Rohtak, Sonipat, Jhajjar, Bhiwani, Panipat, Hisar, Kaithal, Charkhi Dadri, Fatehabad, Jind and Sirsa	<p>Mobile Internet services were suspended in 'sensitive' districts including Rohtak, Sonipat, Jhajjar, Bhiwani, Panipat, Hisar, Kaithal, Charkhi Dadri, Fatehabad, Jind and Sirsa on 18th March, 2017 as a precautionary measure in the wake of Jat protests outside the Parliament. The</p>	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive

				services were restored on 19th March, 2017 .			
78.	2017	Haryana	Rohtak and Sonapat	Internet services were suspended in the districts of Rohtak and Sonapat for 24 hours – from 5 pm on 25 th February to 26 th February, 2017 while the Jats observed 'Black Day' in Haryana on February 26, 2017.	No conclusive information available	24 hours or less	Preventive
79.	2017	Haryana	Jhajjar, Panipat, Sonipat, Hisar, Rohtak, Jind and Bhiwani	Mobile Internet services were suspended indefinitely on 17th February, 2017 in the districts of Jhajjar, Panipat, Sonipat, Hisar, Rohtak, Jind, and Bhiwani following violent protests during the ongoing Jat agitations, and were reportedly restored on 19th February, 2017 .	Mobile Internet	25 to 72 hours	Reactive
80.	2017	Haryana	Rohtak, Bhiwani, Hisar, Sonipat, Panipat	Mobile Internet was suspended in districts of Rohtak , Bhiwani , Hisar , Sonipat , and Panipat starting 31 st January, 2017 due to the ongoing Jat agitations in various parts of the state.	Mobile Internet	No Information	Preventive
81.	2017	Nagaland	Entire state	Mobile Internet services were disrupted in the entire state starting	Mobile Internet	73 hours or more	Reactive

				<p>30th January, 2017 as clashes ensued between the locals and police over the State government's decision to apply reservation in civic body elections. The services were restored on 20th February, 2017.</p>			
82.	2017	Haryana	Jhajjar	<p>Owing to the agitations being held by the Jat community, mobile Internet services were suspended in Jhajjar starting 29th January, 2017.</p>	Mobile Internet	No Information	Preventive
83.	2017	Nagaland	Wokha and Phek	<p>Mobile Internet services were suspended in Wokha and Phek districts starting 19th January, 2017 due to violence in the area on the issue of reservation in local body elections. The suspension later spread to the entire state of Nagaland on 30th January, 2017, and Internet services resumed on 20th February, 2017.</p>	Mobile Internet	73 hours or more	Reactive
84.	2016	Rajasthan	Bhilwara	<p>Internet services were suspended in the district of Bhilwara to maintain law and order for reportedly 72 hours starting 27th December, 2016 as the Nagrik</p>	No conclusive information	25 to 72 hours	Preventive

				Suraksha Manch (a citizens' group) called for a city wide Bandh to protest lack of action taken against the accused in the ongoing communal riots.			
85.	2016	Rajasthan	Bhilwara	Mobile internet services were disrupted in the district of Bhilwara on 19th December, 2016 due to the ongoing communal tensions.	Mobile internet	No conclusive info	Reactive
86.	2016	Manipur	East and West Imphal	Orders were issued by the District Magistrate to disconnect mobile Internet services in East and West Imphal from 18th December, 2016 due to law and order turmoil over economic blockade by the United Naga Council (UNC). Mobile Internet services were reportedly restored on 30th December, 2016 after a 12 day disruption.	Mobile internet	More than 72 hours	Reactive
87.	2016	Rajasthan	Bhilwara	Internet services were suspended under Section 144 on 13th December 2016 till 5 pm in the district of Bhilwara due to the onslaught of communal tensions coinciding	No conclusive information	24 hours or less	Reactive

				with the preparations of a Muslim religious function, Barafwat.			
88.	2016	Jammu and Kashmir	Anantnag	Mobile phone services were reportedly suspended in parts of Kashmir, including Anantnag on 8th December, 2016 as a gun-fight ensued between militants and the security forces.	Mobile Internet	No information available	Reactive
89.	2016	Bihar	Bhojpur, East Champaran , Gopalganj	Both, mobile and broadband internet services were disconnected from 15th October to prevent misuse of social media platforms due to violent communal clashes in the area. They were restored in Bhojpur on 18th October, 2016 , whereas East Champaran was connected back to internet on 20th October, 2016 .	Both	More than 72 hours	Reactive
90.	2016	Maharashtra	Nashik	Mobile Internet services and bulk SMS were blocked for two days (48 hours) on 10th October, 2016 in Nashik district as protests emerged over the alleged rape attempt of a 5 year old girl by a teenage boy.	Mobile internet	25-72 hours	Reactive

91.	2016	Uttar Pradesh	Bijnor district	Internet services were suspended in the Bijnor district on 18th September, 2016 for reportedly 48 hours after communal clashes ensued in the region due to the alleged harassment of a school girl.	N/A	25-72 hours	Reactive
92.	2016	Rajasthan	Bhilwara	Internet services were blocked for 24 hours in Bhilwara on 16th September, 2016 after the stabbing of a 21 year old as he was returning home from Ganpati Puja.	N/A	24 hours or less	Reactive
93.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir	Ahead of Eid celebrations, fixed-line Internet services were suspended in Kashmir on 12th September, 2016 as a precautionary measure in light of the ongoing violence in the region. These services were reportedly resumed on 17th September, 2016 . However, mobile Internet services remain suspended since 9th July, 2016.	Both	More than 72 hours	Preventive
94.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir valley	After the disconnect from mobile internet services since 9th July, 2016, broadband internet	Both	More than 72 hours	Preventive

				services were also suspended in the Kashmir valley on 13th August, 2016 for 5 days as a precautionary measure to prevent rumor mongering due to unrest between the protestors and the security forces.			
95.	2016	Arunachal Pradesh	Itanagar	Mobile internet services were disrupted for two days in Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh on 10th August, 2016 following the death of former Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh, Kalikho Pul.	Mobile internet	25-72 hours	Reactive
96.	2016	Bihar	Saran district	Due to communal clashes in the Saran district after a video of the desecration of hindu deities went viral on social media, all internet services were shut down in the district under Section 144 of CrPC on 6th August, 2016 till 8th August, 2016 to prevent spread of rumors.	No conclusive information	25-72 hours	Reactive
97.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu region	Due to bandhs being declared in the Chenab valley to show solidarity with protests being undertaken by Kashmiris, mobile	Mobile internet	24 hours or less	Reactive

				internet services were suspended in Jammu region on 5th August, 2016 . The services were reportedly restored on the same day.			
98.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	Pulwama district and the towns of Ananatnag, Shopian, Pulgam and Sopore, and some parts of Srinagar	Following the killing of Burhan Wani, Kashmir valley and the Jammu region experienced a suspension of mobile internet services to check the spread of rumors by anti-social elements on 9th July, 2016 . However, mobile internet services were restored in Jammu region on 26th July, 2016 ; after being suspended for 17 days. Reportedly, mobile internet services were restored in Kashmir valley on 19th November for post paid connections and on 27th January, 2017 for pre-paid connections.	Mobile internet	More than 72 hours	Reactive
99.	2016	Rajasthan	Barmer and Jaisalmer	After the death of a person in police firing, mobile internet services were shut down in Barmer and Jaisalmer for 48 hours on 30th June, 2016 as calls for a	Mobile internet services	25 to 72 hours	Reactive

				Bandh was announced by the community members of the person who was killed.			
100.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	Poonch district	Over a controversial issue, mobile internet services were suspended in the Poonch district on 22nd June, 2016 on operational and security grounds and to prevent law and order situations and were restored the same day	Mobile internet services	24 hours or less	Preventive
101.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu	Mobile internet services were suspended in Jammu region on 22nd June, 2016 ahead of a wrestling match, the venue for which is disputed between two communities, and experienced violence in 2014 as well. There is no exact information available as to when the services were restored.	Mobile internet services	No info available	Preventive
102.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	Entire state	Mobile internet services were suspended in the entire state after a youth resorted to vandalization and desecration of a temple in Jammu, that led to a spur of violence in the	Mobile internet services	More than 72 hours	Reactive

				region on 15th June, 2016. The services were reportedly restored on 18th June, 2016 .			
103.	2016	Haryana	Rohtak	Mobile internet services and bulk SMS were blocked in Rohtak on 5th June, 2016 , along with the prolonged shut down in Sonipat as well, to curb the use of social media from instigating violence in the Jat agitation. There is no information available regarding the restoration of internet services.	Mobile internet	No info	Preventive
104.	2016	Haryana	Sonipat	Mobile internet services were blocked in Sonipat, Haryana on 4th June, 2016 until further notice to prevent spread of misinformation prior to the agitation organized by the Jat community on 5th June, 2016. There is no information available regarding the restoration of internet services.	Mobile internet	No info	Preventive
105.	2016	Uttar Pradesh	Azamgarh	In Azamgarh, the local administration resorted to suspension of mobile & broadband services from 16 th to	Both	25 to 72hours	Preventive

				18th May, 2016 as a precautionary measure to check the outbreak of riots due to communal tension in the area.			
106.	2016	Gujarat	Ahmedabad, Mehsana, Surat and Rajkot,	Pursuant to the Patel reservation agitation, mobile internet services were suspended in various parts of Gujarat on 17th April, 2016 and restored on 19th April, 2016	Mobile internet	25 to 72 hours	Reactive
107.	2016	Jharkhand	Bokaro	Subsequent to the communal clashes in the city of Bokaro during celebration of Ram Navami, internet services were cut off from 16th April, 2016 to 18th April, 2016 to prevent spreading of communal fear and hatred through social media.	No info available	25 to 72 hours	Reactive
108.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	North Kashmir, Srinagar and south Kashmir's Pulwama district	To check rumor mongering about an incident that led to death of 4 people in a firing by security forces, mobile internet services were suspended in the area on 14th April, 2016 and restored on 18th April, 2016	Mobile internet services	More than 72 hours	Reactive
109.	2016	Haryana	Rohtak, Jhajjar	Mobile internet services were suspended in various districts in	Mobile internet services	24 hours or less	Preventive

				Haryana as a prohibitory measure in light of the possible re-agitation of the Jat community for classification as Other Backward Classes (OBC) on 18th March, 2016 and restored on the same day.			
110.	2016	Gujarat	Mehasana	Mobile Internet services were suspended in the district of Mehasana on 28th February, 2016 for 12 hours from 8 am to 8 pm as the Patidar Anamat Andolan Samiti (PAAS) decided to continue with their women's conference despite being officially refused permission by the district Government.	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive
111.	2016	Gujarat	Entire state of Gujarat	Mobile Internet services were suspended for 4 hours in the entire state to prevent cheating on the Revenue Accountants Recruitment Exam on 28th February, 2016	Mobile internet	24 hours or less	Preventive
112.	2016	Rajasthan	Bharatpur	Due to the agitations of the Jat community for reservations as OBC, internet	No info available	24 hours or less	Reactive

				services were shut down on 22nd February, 2016 and restored on the evening of 23rd February, 2016 in the Bharatpur district.			
113.	2016	Haryana	Jhajjar, Panipat, Sonipat, Hisar, Rohtak, Jind and Bhiwani	Subsequent to the Jat reservation protest in Haryana, mobile Internet, and SMS services were blocked in many areas beginning 19th February, 2016 .	Mobile internet	No info available	Reactive
114.	2016	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir	On the occasion of Republic Day, mobile internet services were snapped for a few hours as a precautionary measure on 26th January, 2016	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive
115.	2015	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir	On the visit of Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, the mobile internet services were temporarily blocked in the Kashmir region as a precautionary measure for his high profile address at a public rally on 7th November, 2015 .	Mobile internet	24 hours or less	Preventive
116.	2015	Rajasthan	Bhilwara	In an incident of communal tension over the alleged killing of a muslim youth, internet services were suspended in both	Info not available	24 hours or less	Reactive

				these areas for 24 hours on 24th October, 2015 .			
117.	2015	Gujarat	Rajkot	On 17th October, 2015 , mobile internet services were suspended for 2 days in the area due to threats made by Hardik Patel to hold a protest in the stadium where a one day international cricket match was scheduled between the teams of India & South Africa.	Mobile internet	25 to 72 hours	Preventive
118.	2015	Meghalaya	Garo Hills	Internet services were blocked in the Garo Hills region for 24 hours to prevent spread of inflammatory messages during the voting period for the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council (GHADC) elections on 11th October, 2015 .	Info not available	24 hours or less	Preventive
119.	2015	Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu	Jammu experienced suspension of mobile internet services on 8th October, 2015 for around 5 hours to prevent misuse of social media after three carcasses of slaughtered cows were found in the Udhampur area, and the organization of a beef party by an	Mobile internet	24 hours or less	Preventive

				independent MLA			
120.	2015	Gujarat	Godhara	Mobile internet services were shut down as a precautionary measure in the town for 24 hours on the occasion of Ganesh Visarjans, when derogatory messages against Islam started making rounds on Whatsapp on 28th September, 2015	Mobile internet	24 hours or less	Reactive
121.	2015	Jammu & Kashmir	Entire state of Jammu & Kashmir	Mobile, and wireless internet services were shut down during Eid celebrations on 25th September and 28th September, 2015 , apprehending violence against the prohibition on cow slaughter and selling of beef in the State.	Both	73 hours or more	Preventive
122.	2015	Gujarat	Surat	The city of Surat experienced suspension of mobile internet services on 19th September, 2015 as Hardik Patel was detained by the police for violating prohibitory orders against taking out a rally in the area.	Mobile internet	No info	Reactive
123.	2015	Gujarat	Navsari district	From 12th September to 13 th September, 2015, mobile internet services were cut off in the district of	Mobile internet services	24 hours or less	Preventive

				Navsari, Gujarat in lieu of a march organized by Hardik Patel & his affiliated political organization.			
124.	2015	Manipur	Entire state of Manipur	Complete internet shut down (mobile and broadband, except for certain BSNL lines) starting 2nd September, 2015 for a week after violence in Churachandpur district.	Both	More than 72 hours	Reactive
125.	2015	Gujarat	Entire state of Gujarat, with prolonged bans in Surat & Ahmedabad	Mobile Internet services shut down in the entire state of Gujarat from 25 th August to 2 nd September, 2015 after a mega rally led by Hardik Patel seeking OBC status for the Patel community. Mobile internet remained blocked in Ahmedabad & Surat, even post 2 nd September, 2015	Mobile Internet	More than 72 hours	Reactive
126.	2015	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir	Due to the sudden rise in militant activities in Kashmir, as a preventive measure, mobile internet services were suspended from 8:30 am till 12:00 noon during the Independence Day celebrations in the area on 15th August .	Mobile internet	24 hours or less	Preventive

				2015 . Similar measures are adopted on both, Republic Day & Independence Day in the area every year .			
127.	2015	Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu	Both, mobile and broadband Internet services were temporarily blocked in Jammu due to the ongoing clashes between the Sikh groups and the state police of Jammu & Kashmir on 5th June, 2015 . Although broadband services were restored on 6th June, 2015 , there is no information available about the restoration of mobile Internet services.	Both	25 to 72 hours	Reactive
128.	2015	Nagaland	Entire state of Nagaland	Mobile and broadband Internet services were suspended for 48 hours on 7th March, 2015 , after lynching video of a rape accused goes viral	Both	25 to 72 hours	Reactive
129.	2014	Gujarat	Vadodara	Mobile Internet blocked for three days starting 27th September, 2014 in the city of Vadodara, after riots over a morphed picture of a Muslim religious shrine	Mobile Internet	25 to 72 hours	Reactive
130.	2014	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Mobile Internet services were	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive

				blocked as a part of a security protocol on the occasion of Independence Day on 15th August, 2014 . The services were restored within a few hours after the official ceremony was completed.			
131.	2014	Jammu & Kashmir	Parts of Kashmir	Internet blocked in parts of Kashmir to stop political leaders from addressing a UNHRC event in Geneva via video link on 17th March, 2014 . There is no conclusive information available with respect to the restoration of internet services.	Information not available	Info not available	Preventive
132.	2014	Jammu & Kashmir	Few areas in the state	The Defence Ministry had asked the Department of Telecom to selectively ban mobile Internet in some places considered 'hot spots' in the state on 11th March, 2014 . There is no information available about the restoration of services in the area.	Mobile internet	No info available	Preventive
133.	2014	Jammu & Kashmir	Most parts of Kashmir	Due to organization of protests at the first death anniversary of Afzal Guru on 9th	Mobile internet	25 to 72 hours	Preventive

				February, 2014 , mobile internet services, and internet through plugged in devices was blocked in most parts of the Kashmir valley as a precautionary measure against apprehended violence till around 5:30 pm on 10th February, 2014 .			
134.	2014	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	As a precautionary measure on 26th January, 2014 , mobile internet, along with mobile telecommunication services was suspended for a few hours.	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive
135.	2013	Jammu & Kashmir	Entire state	Mobile internet and telephony services were suspended on 15th August, 2013 for security reasons on Independence Day.	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive
136.	2013	Jammu & Kashmir	Entire state	The entire state experienced a blackout of mobile internet services, lasting almost 5 days , starting 10th August, 2013 , due to communal riots that spurred in the Kishtwar district of the state.	Mobile internet	More than 72 hours	Reactive
137.	2013	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	Disconnect of internet services through mobiles & dongles in the	Mobile internet	No info available	Reactive

				Kashmir valley post the killing of four people in the Ramban district after clashes with the Border Security Forces (BSF) on 18th July, 2013			
138.	2013	Jammu & Kashmir	Entire state of Jammu & Kashmir	TV News channels and mobile Internet banned immediately after Afzal Guru's execution on 9th February, 2013 till 15th February, 2013	Mobile internet	73 hours or more	Reactive
139.	2013	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir Valley	On the occasion of Republic Day, as a part of a security drill, mobile phone and Internet services were suspended on 26th January, 2013	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive
140.	2012	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir valley	Mobile internet services were suspended on 21st September 2012 till 5:00 pm owing to the protests over the movie 'Innocence of Muslims'	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Reactive
141.	2012	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir valley	Mobile services were suspended on 15th August, 2012 as a precautionary measure for an hour owing to Independence Day.	Mobile Internet	24 hours or less	Preventive
	2012	Jammu & Kashmir	Kashmir valley	Mobile Internet as a part of a larger mobile telephony ban was restricted on 26th January, 2012 as a standard security protocol.	Mobile internet	24 hours or less	Preventive

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