

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1994**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 05.08.2021

**PANCHAYATS IDENTIFIED UNDER PMGDISHA**

**1994: SHRI K.C. RAMAMURTHY:**

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Panchayats identified in Karnataka under Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyaan (PMGDISHA) to provide digital literacy to every household;
- (b) whether it is a fact that more than 7 lakh households have been registered for digital literacy;
- (c) the number of households which are yet to be registered and efforts being made by the Ministry to cover all households to achieve the goals of digital literacy in rural areas; and
- (d) whether all the registered households have been trained and given certificates and, if so, the details thereof ?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a): In the State of Karnataka, total 6008 Panchayats are identified under the Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyaan (PMGDISHA) Scheme to provide digital literacy to rural household (i.e. one person per household).

(b): As on 04.08.2021, a total of 8.63 lakh households have been registered for digital literacy training under the said Scheme.

(c): A total of 18.42 lakh households are yet to be covered under the Scheme. The efforts made by the Ministry to cover all households include organising awareness & advocacy campaigns on PMGDISHA by the implementing agency of the Scheme viz. CSC e-Governance Services India Limited at Block/Gram Panchayat Level through its district level teams as well as the training centres/Common Service Centres (CSCs). Further, Digital Literacy Camps at Panchayat level are also organized throughout the State. Refresher training sessions are organized for candidates who could not complete their training or certification due to COVID-19 lockdown. Mobile Vans equipped with digital infrastructure like laptop, computer, internet facility are also deployed in 2 districts namely Raichur and Bengaluru.

(d): As on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021, a total of 6.70 lakh beneficiaries have completed the training. Out of these, a total of 4.41 lakh beneficiaries have been duly certified, out of which certificate has been issued to 4.10 lakh beneficiaries to their DigiLocker by the respective examination agencies.

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