GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2641
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2021

ITIHAS SYSTEM FOR COVID-19 SURVEILLANCE

2641. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to State:

(a) whether the   ITIHAS system is or has been deployed for COVID-19 surveillance;
(b) if so, the details thereof including the States in which it has been deployed and the dates of such deployment;
(c) the details of personal data collected by the ITIHAS system; and
(d) the data sharing and access protocol of the ITIHAS system?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE)

(a) and (b): Yes Sir. The system is made available to all States and Union Territories from third week of May 2020.

(c): ITIHAS system provides two information at a sub- post office level to the authorized personnel of States and Union Territory:-

  i.   Mobile numbers, Age and Gender of a person who has reported Covid related symptoms through the Arogya Setu app and those who were reported to be close to covid positive patients based on Bluetooth contact tracing. This is used by the concerned district officials to follow-up as well as to provide health remedy.
  ii.   Based on the number of self-assessments, Bluetooth contact tracing and data provided by NDMA on total aggregate of incidence of covid positive cases at sub post-office level, each sub post-office is classified as Pink (High risk), Orange (Moderate Risk), Deep Blue (Risk) and Light Blue (Low Risk). The classification at sub-post office level was provided to the States/UTs.

(d): The ITIHAS platform is hosted in NIC facility and the dashboard is accessed through a secure portal of NIC. Login credentials to access the dashboard is provided only to Government officials authorised by the respective State Governments / Government of Union Territories through Two factor authentication, login and OTP. Authorised personnel of a State/UT can view data of their respective State/UT only and not of other States/UT.

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