GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
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TO BE ANSWERED ON: 04.08.2017

VILLAGES UNDER DIGITAL VILLAGE PROJECT

2322. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:
SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:

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

(a) the number of villages targeted to be included in the Digital Village project in 2017-18;

(b) the amount provided for implementation of digital villages in health, education and skill development for the year 2017-18;

(c) the details of facilities to be made available in such digital villages; and

(d) the time by which the work on setting up of digital villages is likely to take off?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI P. P. CHAUDHARY)

(a)   and (b): The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India has approved a Pilot Project of Digital Village (DigiGaon) to be implemented in 1050 Gram Panchayats (GPs) spread across 30 States/UTs. The approved outlay for implementation of the project for telemedicine, tele-education and skill development for financial year 2017-18 is as follows:

Sl. No.	Components	Approved outlay (Rs. in crore)
1	Telemedicine	12.95
2	Tele-education	38.99
3	Skill development	30.47

(c) and (d): The Pilot Project of Digital Village has been approved with a total outlay of Rs. 423.26 crore for a period of 3 years involving 6 months for implementation & remaining period for operation & maintenance/ service delivery phase post implementation. This project intends to provide a platform for availability of services namely tele-education, tele-medicine, LED Street Lighting & Wi-Fi Hotspot and skill development to the citizens at the Gram Panchayats across various States/UTs.

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