

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1223
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 14.12.2022

DIGI VILLAGE PROJECT

1223. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:
SHRI ARUN SAO:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:
DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:
SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

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

- (a) the present/amended details of Digi Village Project along with the number of villages included under the said project as on date;
- (b) whether the Government has received any request to set up more Digi Villages from the States/ Union Territories and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of proposals for expansion of the said project in the country;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to expand the Common Service Centres (CSCs) under the said project and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (e) the details of expenditure incurred towards the said project; and
- (f) whether the Government proposes to include entrepreneurial opportunities for the rural citizens especially women under the said project and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The Digital Village Pilot Project was initiated by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology to provide government to citizen, business to citizen, education, health, skill development and financial inclusion services in 700 villages across the country on a pilot basis.
- (b): No such requests have been received by State Government/UT Government.
- (c): No proposals for expansion of the project is under consideration of the Government.
- (d): Expansion of the Common Service Centres (CSCs) does not form part of the activity envisaged under the project.
- (e): An amount of Rs. 60.00 crore has been released under this project to the Project Implementing Agency and, out of this an amount Rs. 54.97 crore has been reported as utilized.
- (f): The project includes imparting of digital education and skill development, the beneficiaries also include women.
