GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 626

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PERFORMANCE OF SCHEMES LAUNCHED BY GOVERNMENT

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

- (a). the year-wise details of the schemes launched by the Government under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology since the year 2014 till date along with the details of the targets set and the achievements made under each of the said schemes;
- (b). the State-wise details of the proposals received from various States along with the proposals approved by the Union Government under the schemes sponsored by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology;
- (c). the scheme-wise and State-wise details of the funds allocated and utilized for implementation of various schemes of this Ministry during each of the last four years and the current year;
- (d). whether the Government has set any time-limit for completing the pending schemes and if so, the details thereof;
- (e). whether the Government has any mechanism to monitor the funds allocated to the States/organizations for achieving the said purposes and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f). the action taken against the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) found guilty in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

- (a): The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India has approved a scheme namely 'Digital India' programme on 20thAugust, 2014 and formally launched the scheme on 1stJuly, 2015 with the vision to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy. This scheme pulled together many then existing schemes which were to be restructured and refocused for implementation in synchronised manner. Each project has its own budgetary requirement and accordingly project-plan has been charted out by the implementing Ministry/departments. Some of the key initiatives undertaken under this scheme are as follows:
- Common Services Centre (CSC) 2.0: This project was launched in 2015, which consists of expanding the network of kiosks for delivery of G2C Services. These were to be opened at each of 2,50,000 Gram Panchayats(GP). So far, 3.05 Lakh Common Services Centre are functional and are providing eServices; Out of this, 2.13 lakh are at

- GP level. Along with other services, CSCs are providing services related to Banking and Finance to rural citizens. Over 300 digital services are being offered by these CSCs.
- National Digital Literacy Mission (NDLM)/Digital SakshartaAbhiyan (DISHA): Government of India has initiated two projectsin December, 2014 for digital literacy namely 'National Digital Literacy Mission' (NDLM) with a target of training 10 lakh persons and Digital SakshartaAbhiyan (DISHA) with a target of 42.5 lakh persons covering one person per family. These schemes have been implemented concurrently across the country and a total of 53.67 lakh candidates have been trained and certified.
- **Pradhan MantriGramin Digital SakshartaAbhiyaan(PMGDISHA):** The Government has approved a new project titled "Pradhan MantriGramin Digital SakshartaAbhiyan (PMGDISHA)" in February, 2017 to usher in digital literacy in rural India by covering 6 Crore rural households (one person per household). As on 28thJanuary, 2019, a total of 1.88 crore candidates have been trained under PMGDISHA scheme, out of which more than 1.03 crore candidates have been certified.
- India BPO Promotion Scheme (IBPS): The Government has initiated India BPO Promotion Scheme (IBPS) in 2015 under the Digital India Programme, for promotion of BPO/ITES operations across the country and creation of employment opportunities. The scheme provides financial support along with special incentives uptoRs. 1 lakh/seat in the form of Viability Gap Funding (VGF). 48,300 seats have been approved under India BPO scheme and over 45,480 seats have been allocated across 20 States and 2 UTs.
- North East BPO Promotion Scheme (NEBPS): The North East BPO Promotion Scheme (NEBPS) has been initiated in 2015 to incentivize BPO/ITES Operations in North East Region (NER) for creation of employment opportunities for the youths and growth of IT-ITES Industry. 5000 seats have been approved for BPOs in North East and 2.185 seats have been allocated across 6 States in NER.
- National Information Infrastructure (NII) Pilot project: A pilot project for a period of one year on National Information Infrastructure (NII) for one district each in 7 states namely Nagaland, Karnataka, Kerala, Gujarat, Uttarakhand, UTs of Chandigarh and Puducherry has been implemented successfully covering 36 blocks, 1560 Gram Panchayats (GPs) and more than 4000 government offices. The pilot has integrated various ICT infrastructure namely State Data Center(SDC), State wide Area Network(SWAN), National Knowledge Network(NKN), NIC network(NICNET) State Service Delivery Gateway(SSDG) and also NOFN/BharatNet.
- Unified Mobile Application for New-Age Governance (UMANG): UMANG has been developed as a single mobile platform to deliver major Government services with Core Platform integrated with Aadhaar, DigiLocker, PayGov, Rapid Assessment System (RAS) etc. UMANG app was launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister at the fifth edition of the Global Conference on Cyberspace in November, 2017. About 334 services from 67 departments and 17 States are already available on UMANG and the count is increasing day by day.
- MyGov: MyGov is a first-of-its-kind citizen engagement platform for participatory governance in India. MyGov platform was launched in 2014 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. MyGov aims to facilitate a dialogue between citizens and Government, bringing citizens closer to the Government and bringing the Government closer to the citizens it serves, via this platform. Presently, over 76 lakh users are registered with MyGov, participating in various activities hosted on MyGov platform. MyGov activities are structured under 64 groups consisting of 804 tasks, 795 discussions, 262 Polls/Surveys and 184 talks.

- **Digital locker:** Digital Locker was launch on 1stJuly 2015 by the Hon. Prime Minister of India. Digital Locker provides an ecosystem with collection of repositories and gateways for issuers to upload the documents in the digital repositories. 2.36 crore documents have been uploaded by 1.91 crore registered user of DigiLocker. 112 Issuers and 35 Requestor organizations have been on-boarded
- **Jeevan Pramaan:** Jeevan Pramaan is a biometric enabled digital service for pensioners. It was launched on 10th November 2014. With this initiative, the pensioner is no more required to physically present himself or herself in front of disbursing agency or the certification authority. Over 2.45 crore Digital Life certificates have been processed since 2014.
- Online Registration System(ORS)/eHospital: Online Registration System (ORS) under eHospital includes online appointment and registration by new patients, viewing of lab reports, checking the status of blood availability and integration with payment gateway (PayGov). The application was launched by Hon'ble Prime Minister in July 2015. Till date, 21.59 lakh online appointments have been made in 194 hospitals through ORS.
- NCOG- GIS Applications: National Centre of Geo-informatics (NCoG) project, is a GIS platform developed for sharing, collaboration, location based analytics and decision support system for Departments. National Centre for Geo-Informatics (NCoG) was launched by Hon'ble Minister of Electronics and Information Technology on December 28, 2015. So far, 85 applications across various domains are operational.
- National Scholarship Portal: National Scholarships Portal (NSP) has been developed as a one-stop solution to implement end-to-end disbursement of the scholarship to the beneficiaries. The process includes student registration, application, approval and disbursement. Over 1.84 crore applications have been awarded scholarships. There are 52 registered schemes from 14 Ministries/Departments/States.
- **Promotion of Digital Payments:** MeitY has taken several initiatives to promote digital payments and achieve the targets in a mission mode. Few of them are outlined below.
 - (i). Digital payment transactions target have been assigned to Central Ministries with high citizen touch points, Public Sector and Private Sector Banks to achieve the target as announced in the Budget speech.
 - (ii). Promotional materials on publicity of digital payments including IEC materials are being shared with stakeholders to create awareness and sensitization.
 - (iii). Digital Payment dash board has been created to track and monitor the progress of digital transactions achieved by Banks.
 - (iv). Promotion and awareness approach framework on digital payments has been shared with Banks.
 - (v). BHIM cash back schemes for merchants, BHIM Aadhaar merchant incentive schemes and BHIM referral bonus schemes for Individuals.

(b): No proposals have been approved by the Government to States since 2014, as no Sponsored Schemes are being implemented by the Ministry since then.

(c): Funds allocated and utilised by Ministry during each of the last four year and current year under Digital India Programme are as follows:
(Rs. in crore)

Scheme/Programme	Digital India Programme	
Financial Year	Allocation	Expenditure
2014-15	2355.20	2272.11
2015-16	1465.80	1384.50

2016-17	1192.55	1176.38
2017-18	1425.63	1451.59
2018-19	3352.81	2453.62
		(as on 31.01.2019)

- (d): Various projects are being implemented under the Digital India programme. These projects have their own project implementation timelines which vary across projects.
- (e): Government has various mechanism to monitor the funds allocated to the States/organizations through system of monitoring committee such as Apex Committee, Empowered Committee, Project Review and Steering Group (PRSG), Review meetings at various levels etc. and through Utilization Certificate Monitoring System under public financial management system.

(f): Not applicable as no NGO is involved in this scheme.
