## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1876

TO BE ANSWERED ON: 03.07.2019

#### WEB SERVER FOR LOCAL LANGUAGES

#### 1876 SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering to develop web server for local languages;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to provide technical knowledge to human resources of rural and backward areas in all States including Haryana; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

- (a) and (b): There is no plan to develop web servers for local languages as the current web servers support all the 22 recognized languages.
- (c): Yes, Sir.
- (d): Government of India has approved a scheme titled **Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA)** to usher in digital literacy in rural India by covering 6 crore rural households (one person per household) by 31.03.2020. To ensure equitable geographical reach, each of the 2,50,000 Gram Panchayats across the country are registering an average of 200-300 candidates.

Special focus of the said scheme is on training the beneficiaries on use of Electronic Payment System. The outcome measurement criteria include undertaking at least 5 electronic payments transactions by each beneficiary using Unified Payments Interface (UPI) (including Bharat Interface for Money (BHIM) app), Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD), Point of Sale (PoS), Aadhaar Enabled Payment System (AePS), Cards, Internet Banking.

The outlay of the above scheme is Rs. 2,351.38 crore. It is being implemented as a Central Sector Scheme by the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology through the implementing agency namely CSC e-Governance Services India Limited, with active collaboration of all the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations.

90 State level workshops and 894 district level awareness workshops for the training centres have been conducted so far. As on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019, 2.30 crore candidates have been enrolled, out of which training has been imparted to 2.21 crore candidates, and 1.34 crore candidates have been certified under the PMGDISHA Scheme.