

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 393
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 20.07.2018

DIGIGAON PROGRAMME

393. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government will digitize 700 villages in the country under its DigiGaon Programme by the year end;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Common Services Centres are working in 1.83 lakh Gram Panchayats as of now; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): The Government of India under the Digital India Programme has envisaged the Digital village project to provide various Government to Citizen (G2C) Services and other associated services to citizens, especially living in the rural areas.

(c) and (d): Yes, Sir. Till May, 2018, there were 2,95,486 Common Services Centres (CSCs) functioning across the country; among which, 2,10,314 CSCs are at Gram Panchayat (GP) level. The key objective of CSCs is to deliver various citizen centric services, such as Government to Citizen (G2C), Business to Citizen (B2C) services, financial inclusion services, educational services, skill development services etc. The CSCs function on a service delivery/transaction oriented self-sustainable entrepreneurship model, with the objective to enable non-discriminatory access to e-Services to citizens, especially in rural areas.
