GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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PROJECT FOR PROMOTION OF E-GOVERNANCE

1464. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

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

- (a) the names and details of ongoing projects implemented by the Government to promote e-Governance in the rural areas of the country; and
- (b) the details of such projects implemented by the Union Government to promote e-Governance in Rajasthan?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE)

- (a) and (b): Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India is implementing following projects to promote e-Governance in the rural areas of the country including state of Rajasthan:-
- Common Services Centre (CSC): MeitY has initiated a project namely "Common Services Centre (CSC) 2.0" in August, 2015 under Digital India Programme, which envisages setting up of at least one CSC at Gram Panchayat (GP) to cover all the 2.5 lakh GPs across the country. Common Services Centres are internet enabled centres operated by local entrepreneur, called Village Level Entrepreneurs (VLEs) and provide eServices to rural citizens. Over 350 digital services are being offered by these CSCs. The number of functional CSCs (Urban & Rural) across the Country is 3.63 Lakh, out of which 2.62 Lakh CSCs are functional at Gram Panchayat level. With respect to State of Rajasthan, as on 30th September, 2019, the number of functional CSCs (Urban & Rural) across the state is 15,983 CSCs, of which 11,173 CSCs are functional at Gram Panchayat level.
- **Digital Village:** MeitY has also initiated the 'Digital Village Pilot Project' in October, 2018. 700 Gram Panchayats(GPs)/ villages with atleast one Gram Panchayat/village per District per State/UT are being covered across the country. The digital services being offered are Digital Health Services (Tele-Health & Tele-Veterinary consultation), Education Service (NIELIT courses on BCC/CCC, Tally), Financial Inclusion Awareness Programme, Skill Development, Solar panel powered street lights including Government to Citizens Services (G2C), Business to Citizen (B2C) Services. The project is covering atleast one Gram Panchayat/Village from 33 districts of the Rajasthan for implementation under Digital Village Pilot Project.
