GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
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COMPLIANCE OF ACCESSIBILITY GUIDELINES BY
GOVERNMENT WEBSITES

2012. SHRI BINOY VISWAM:

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

(a)   the details of Government websites and apps that have not complied with the Guidelines for Indian Government Websites 2.0 issued by Government;

(b)   the number of Government websites that have received the "Certified Quality Website" recognition; and

(c)   the number of Government Departments that have appointed an officer-in-charge to ensure that reliable and dependable information is provided as recommended by the guidelines?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): The Guidelines for Indian Government Websites 2.0 address common policy issues and practical challenges faced by government organisations during the development and management of Indian Government websites and portals, and recommend policies and guidelines for the same. Observance of these guidelines lies with the organisations concerned, and no centralised information is maintained in this regard.

The guidelines also form the basis for obtaining Website Quality Certification from the Standardisation Testing Quality Certification Directorate, which carries out the certification process upon an application being made in this behalf by the Department/organisation desirous of obtaining such certification, accompanied by the requisite fee, and the Certified Quality Website issued by the Directorate is valid for a period of three years. The list of websites so certified is available at https://stqc.gov.in/sites/default/files/tenders/lll.pdf.

(c): 85 of the Ministries, Departments, Secretariats and Offices specified in the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961, which are referred to as "departments" in the said rules, have nominated Web Information Managers for providing reliable and dependable information for their respective websites, as recommended by the guidelines.

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