GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
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TO BE ANSWERED ON: 24.03.2023

DIGITISATION OF VILLAGES

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Will the MINISTER OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being taken by Government to turn country's villages modern and digital;
(b) the details including the number of villages made digital in Puducherry at present, district-wise;
(c) the details of the amount of funds sanctioned till date for Puducherry for making above mentioned villages digital, district-wise; and
(d) the details of various facilities being provided in the above mentioned digital villages?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Digital Village Pilot Project was initiated by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology on 31st October 2018 to provide government-to-citizen, business-to-citizen, education, health, skill development and financial inclusion services in 700 villages (One Gram Panchayat/ village from each district of all States/ UTs). across the country, on a pilot basis. Rs. 39.98 lakh was allocated and sanctioned for the project implementation in Puducherry (@Rs. 9,99,500/- for each village covered under the project). The district-wise list of 4 villages covered under the Digital Village Pilot project in Puducherry is as below:

S.No.	District	Gram Panchayat	Village
1	Karaikal	Kottucherry (East)	Kottucherry East
2	Yanam	Yanam	Yanam
3	Mahe	Mahe	Mahe
4	Puducherry	Bahour (West)	Bahour West

Facilities being provided in the above mentioned 4 villages covered under the Digital Village Pilot project in Puducherry are:

i. **Education Service:** Courses offered under this project are as - Basic Computer Course (BCC), Course on Computer Concept (CCC), Basic Course in Information Technology (BCIT), Tally – Kaushal Praman Patra
ii. **Health Services –** Tele-Health & Tele-Veterinary consultation
iii. **Financial Inclusion-** Financial inclusion awareness programme
iv. **Solar panel powered street lights** (8 Solar lights per village)
v. **Skill Development -** in Automotive Technician, Handset Repairing, Field Technician- Home Appliances, and Electrical Technician.
vi. Government to Citizen Services (G2C) and B2C Services

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