GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3739
ANSWERED ON 05.04.2023

DIGITIZATION OF PANCHAYAT OFFICES

3739. SHRI IRANNA KADADI:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to State:

(a) the number and percentage of Panchayat Offices that have a computer and internet connection, State-wise;
(b) the details of the steps taken by Government to digitize Panchayat Institutions and Offices;
(c) the annual budget allocation and final expenditure on E-Panchayat Mission Mode Project during the last five years and the current year; and
(d) the outcome status of the E-Panchayat Mission Mode Project?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ

(SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL)

(a) Panchayat being State subject, providing computers for Panchayats is primarily the responsibility of States/ Union Territories (UTs). However, Ministry, under the scheme of Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) supplemented the efforts of all States by providing computers for Panchayats as proposed by States/UTs in their Annual Action Plan and approved by Central Empowered Committee, on a limited scale. For attaining the vision of Digital India, BharatNet project is being implemented by Department of Telecommunications in a phased manner to create network to connect all the Gram Panchayats by broadband in the country. The scope of BharatNet on 30.06.2021 has been extended up to all inhabited villages beyond GPs in the country. The State/UT-wise details of Gram Panchayats/Traditional Local Bodies (TLBs) having computers and internet connection is given at **Annexure-I.**

(b) Under Digital India Programme, Ministry is implementing e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project (MMP) with the aim to transform the functioning of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs), making them more transparent, accountable, and effective. The Ministry launched eGramSwaraj, a work-based Accounting Application for Panchayati Raj Institutions under the e-Panchayat MMP on 24th April 2020. This application encompasses all aspects of Panchayat functioning viz. planning, budgeting, accounting, monitoring, asset management etc., on a single digital platform including online payments.

(c) Funds under the e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project (MMP) are utilized for Central-level support for maintenance of e-Panchayat applications, faculty support and programme management. The year wise utilization of funds under the e-Panchayat MMP during the last five years and the current year is given at **Annexure-II.**

(d) So far, 2.56 lakh GPs have prepared and uploaded their Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs) for 2022-23 on eGramSwaraj. Under 14th Finance Commission, 59,618 GPs have carried out online transactions during 2022-23. Similarly, 2.26 lakh GPs have carried online transactions under 15th Finance Commission during 2022-23. All States are making efforts to implement e-Panchayat MMP, based on their available resources and there is substantial improvement in adoption of digital applications by the States in PRIs functioning.

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Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3739 answered on 05.04.2023 regarding 'Digitization of Panchayat Offices'.

Sl. No	State Name	Total GPs/ TLBs	Service Ready GPs/TL Bs	Operatio nal GPs/TLB s	GPs with Computer	Percentag e of GPs with Computer
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	70	70	100%	70	100%
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	13325	5220	39%	9510	71%
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	2108	949	45%	305	14%
4	ASSAM	2197	1640	75%	1510	69%
5	BIHAR	8174	8174	100%	8058	99%
6	CHHATTISGARH	11656	9648	83%	7043	60%
7	GOA	191	0	0%	191	100%
8	GUJARAT	14571	14376	99%	14571	100%
9	HARYANA	6220	6204	100%	1725	28%
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	3615	414	11%	3281	91%
11	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	4291	1106	26%	3973	93%
12	JHARKHAND	4345	4345	100%	3516	81%
13	KARNATAKA	5963	5958	100%	5963	100%
14	KERALA	941	941	100%	941	100%
15	LADAKH	193	192	99%	130	67%
16	LAKSHADWEEP	10	9	90%	10	100%
17	MADHYA PRADESH	23023	18086	79%	22654	98%
18	MAHARASHTRA	27894	24084	86%	27079	97%
19	MANIPUR	3818	1465	38%	101	3%
20	MEGHALAYA	9058	680	8%	4679	52%
21	MIZORAM	834	441	53%	243	29%
22	NAGALAND	1292	230	18%	545	42%
23	ODISHA	6794	6794	100%	6794	100%
24	PUDUCHERRY	108	101	94%	100	93%
25	PUNJAB	13241	12807	97%	611	5%
26	RAJASTHAN	11265	8991	80%	10255	91%
27	SIKKIM	198	54	27%	0	0%
28	TAMIL NADU	12525	1994	16%	10100	81%
29	TELANGANA	12769	9459	74%	4436	35%
30	THE DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU	38	38	100%	38	100%
31	TRIPURA	591	591	100%	462	78%
32	UTTAR PRADESH	58188	42362	73%	47788	82%
33	UTTARAKHAND	7796	1891	24%	2805	36%
34	WEST BENGAL	3339	2856	86%	3339	100%
	Total	**270641**	**192170**	**71%**	**202826**	**75%**

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3739 answered on 05.04.2023 regarding 'Digitization of Panchayat Offices'.

Details of annual expenditure on E-Panchayat Mission Mode Project

(Rs. in Crore)

Financial Year	Budgeted estimates (B.E)	Revised Estimates (R.E)	Actual Expenditure
2018-19	20	11.91	10.07
2019-20	15.50	7.50	7.25
2020-21	20	17.82	17.79
2021-22	20	11.71	11.71
2022-23	20	15	15
2023-24	20	-	-

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