## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1052 ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024

## E-GRAMSWARAJ

1052. SHRI BRIJ LAL SHRI MITHLESH KUMAR

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to State:

- (a) details of e-Gram Swaraj andsteps taken to bring transparency and strengthen e Governance in Panchayati Raj Institutions; and
- (b) whether the details of developmental activities, amount disbursed for such activities is available on the portal?

## **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ

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(a) Under Digital India Programme, the Ministry of Panchayati Raj is implementing e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project (MMP), in all the States/ Union Territories (UTs) of the country. The aim is to revamp the functioning of Panchayats and to make them more transparent, accountable, and effective. Ministry has launched eGramSwaraj, a work-based accounting application to simplify Panchayat work like planning, accounting, and budgeting. Ministry has also integrated eGramSwaraj with Public Financial Management System (PFMS) for Gram Panchayats (GPs) to make real-time payments to vendors/service providers. As on Date, 2,54,508 Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs) for 2024-25 have been prepared and available in e-GramSwaraj.

Further, an application 'AuditOnline' has been developed for online audits of Panchayat accounts and their financial management. AuditOnline, launched in April 2020, facilitates transparent auditing of Central Finance Commission funds utilization and strengthens financial management of Panchayats. Beside this, applications developed by the Ministry like 'Meri Panchayat App' has endeavoured to bring transparency in Panchayat Governance by making information on planning, activities and progress of works in Panchayat easily accessible to public on online platform. Similarly, 'Panchayat Nirnay' is an online application aims at bringing transparency and better management in conduct of Gram Sabhas by Panchayats.

(b) Yes, details of developmental activities and the amounts disbursed under the Central Finance Commission for such activities are available on the eGramSwaraj portal. This information can be accessed through the report on expenditure incurred by Gram Panchayats, available under the Dashboard section of the eGramSwaraj application. Data regarding receipts and expenditures is publicly accessible on this portal

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