

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1149
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 08.02.2017

DIGITAL LITERACY

1149 SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISAD:
SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state: -

- (a) the details of Digital literacy mission/ campaign along with the achievement made. State-wise;
- (b) whether a large number of population do not have access to computer and other digital medium;
- (c) if so, whether Government proposes to provide computers to all the households and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to spend Rs. 1,800 crore to train 60 million people across rural areas in three years under a digital literacy mission and if so, the details thereof along with the funds spent and the people benefitted so far under the mission, state-wise; and
- (e) whether the Common Services Centres, e-Governance Service India is awaiting the Government's nod for the said purpose and if so, the steps taken in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY)

(a): Government had implemented two digital literacy Schemes viz. National Digital Literacy Mission (NDLM) and Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (DISHA) to impart digital literacy to 52.2 lakh households in the Country. The implementing agency for these schemes was CSC e-Governance Services India Limited (CSC-SPV). The digital literacy targets envisaged under these scheme have been achieved. The State-wise achievements made under the above schemes is at Annexure.

(b): As per the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) report (NSS 71st Round) the proportion of households in the Country having computer during 2014 is 14% (only 6% of rural households and 29% of urban households possessed computer).

(c): There is no such proposal to provide computers to the households in the Country.

(d) and (e): Hon'ble Finance Minister, while presenting the Union Budget 2016-2017, has announced to launch a new Digital Literacy Mission Scheme for rural India to cover around 6

crore additional households within the next three years. As a follow-up to this announcement, a new scheme to cover 6 crore rural households is under formulation in consultation with various stakeholders.

Annexure

The State- wise details of achievements made under the National Digital Literacy Mission (NDLM) and Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (DISHA) Schemes.

State	Certified candidates
Andaman & Nicobar	409
Andhra Pradesh	165661
Arunachal Pradesh	2139
Assam	20440
Bihar	440014
Chandigarh	13646
Chhattisgarh	172460
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	182
Daman & Diu	1376
Delhi	80068
Goa	1278
Gujarat	334432
Haryana	132302
Himachal Pradesh	31264
Jammu & Kashmir	121679
Jharkhand	114783
Karnataka	350068
Kerala	49357
Lakshadweep	20
Madhya Pradesh	365592
Maharashtra	404098
Manipur	31023
Mizoram	9507
Nagaland	12997
Odisha	121100
Puducherry	19016
Punjab	96962
Rajasthan	372029
Sikkim	10625
Tamil Nadu	291151
Telangana	184346
Tripura	42941
Uttar Pradesh	610189

Uttarakhand	101881
West Bengal	641735
Total	5346770
