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DIGITAL INDIA

1874. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

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

- (a). the progress recorded under the 'Digital India' campaign initiated by the Government;
- (b). the number of companies which have entered into an agreement under the 'Digital India'; and
- (c). the amount of investment and the number of employment opportunities generated through these initiatives?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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(a): The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India has initiated the 'Digital India' programme with the vision to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy. Digital India is an umbrella programme that covers multiple projects of various Central Ministries/Departments & States/UTs and is being coordinated by MeitY. Each project has its own budgetary requirement and accordingly project-plan has been charted out by the implementing departments.

The present status of some of the key initiatives undertaken under 9 pillars of Digital India programme is as follows:

Pillar 1: Broadband Highways

- Under National Optical Fibre Network (NOFN)/BharatNet project, 2.65 lakh KMs of optical fibre laid for 1,12,677 GPs and 1,03,289 GPs have been connected so far till 25.02.2018.

Pillar 2: Universal Access to Mobile Connectivity

- Rural Tele-density is 56.54% (as on 30th November, 2017).

Pillar 3: Public Internet Access Programme

- **Common Services Centres** are taking digital services to every corner of India. Till January, 2018, there are 2,92,406 Common Services Centres (CSCs) functioning across the country; among which, 1,83,005 CSCs are at Gram Panchayat (GP) level.

Pillar 4: E-Governance: Reforming government through Technology (as on 28th February, 2018)

- **Aadhaar:** Aadhaar provides 12 digit biometric and demographic based identity that is unique, lifelong, online and authenticable. Further to give statutory backing to Aadhaar 'The Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016' was notified. Over 120+ crore residents have been enrolled.

- **Direct Benefit Transfer(DBT):** 412 schemes of 56 Ministries/ Departments are there on DBT platform. An amount of more than Rs. 2.88 Lakh Crore has been transferred through DBT and the Ministries/Departments have reported savings of Rs. 57,029 crores in last three years due to implementation of schemes in DBT mode.
- **E-Office:** It is a Digital Workplace Solution which aims to usher in efficient, effective and transparent inter-government and intra-government transactions and processes. NIC has implemented e-Office Portal in 149 Central Government (Ministries/Departments) and 122 State Governments (Secretariats/District Administrations).

Pillar 5: eKranti- Electronic delivery of services

- 3541 e-services are being provided through 44 Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) under e-Kranti. More than 3081 crore e-transactions with an average of 252 crore transaction per month were done during the year 2017.

Pillar 6: Information for All (as on 28th February, 2018)

- **MyGov Platform:** 45 Ministries are engaged actively on MyGov platform, reaching out to the citizens through the fundamental concepts of Do, Discuss and Disseminate. Presently, 53.26 lakh users are registered with MyGov, participating in various activities hosted on MyGov platform. MyGov activities are structured under 63 groups consisting of 718 tasks, 762 discussions, 243 Polls/Surveys and 166 talks.
- **Open Government Data platform:** The portal is intended to be used by Government of India Ministries/Departments their organizations to publish datasets, documents, services, tools and applications collected by them for public use. As on 28th February, 2018, over 160,223 dataset resources under 4,239 catalogs contributed by 110 Ministry/Departments (85 Central and 25 states). 1,344 Visualizations created, 3617-Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) created, 115 Chief Data Officers. OGD India has 15.13 million times viewed and 5.53 million datasets have been downloaded.

Pillar 7: Electronics Manufacturing - Target NET ZERO Imports (as on 28th February, 2018)

- 242 Investment proposals under Modified Specific Incentive Programmes (MSIPs) having a proposed investment of Rs. 91,642 crore have been so far received. 107 proposals with proposed investments of Rs. 21,494 crore have been approved.
- 21 Electronics Manufacturing Clusters (18 Greenfield EMCs and 3 Common Facility Centre (CFC) in Brownfield EMC) have been granted final approval and are under implementation.
- Electronic Development Fund has been launched and 22 daughter funds have been approved with a commitment of Rs. 1,227 crore involving a total targeted corpus of Rs. 10,900 crore.

Pillar 8: IT for Jobs (as on 28th February, 2018)

- 48,300 seats have been approved under India BPO scheme and over 31,732 seats have been allocated across 20 States and 2 UTs.
- 5000 seats have been approved for BPOs in North East and 1,610 seats have been allocated across 5 States in NER.
- Under National Digital Literacy Mission/Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (NDLM/DISHA), 53.67 lakh have been trained. Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharata Abhiyan (PMGDISHA) has been launched in October, 2017.
- Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan(PMGDISHA): The Scheme is aimed at empowering the citizens by providing them access to information, knowledge and skills for operating computers/ digital access devices. Under the Scheme, a total of more than 1.05 crore candidates have been registered. A total of more than 1.04 crore

candidates have been trained out of which more than 50 lakh candidates have been duly certified.

Pillar 9: Early Harvest Programme (as on 28th February, 2018)

- Over 107 lakh Digital Lockers have been opened. About 139 lakh documents have been self-uploaded. 42 Issuers and 18 Requester Organizations have been on-boarded. Digital Locker Authority has been constituted and Digital Locker rules have been notified.
- e-Hospital/Online Registration System (ORS) has been made operational in 142 hospitals and more than 13 lakh appointments have been taken online.
- **Public Wi-Fi hotspots:** Wi-Fi services have been provided at 90 tourist sites across the country.
- **The National Scholarships Portal(NSP)** has been developed as a one-stop solution to implement end-to-end disbursement of the scholarship to the beneficiaries. The process includes student registration, application, approval and disbursement. It has enabled nearly 1.66 Crore students to submit application on a single portal for 52 different scholarships schemes.
- **National Centre for Geo-Informatics (NCoG)** provides Geographical Information System (GIS) based services to Government Ministries/Departments for sharing, collaboration, location based analytics and decision support system (DSS) for various organizations. So far, 23 applications across various domains are operational.
- Rapid Assessment System has been integrated with 947 e-Services of 178 departments in 28 States/UTs.
- **Jeevan Pramaan** is an Aadhaar enabled biometric Digital Life Certificate for pensioners. More than 159 lakh pensioners have registered themselves to avail of this facility for their life certificates.
- **eSign - Online Electronic Signature Service:** eSign is an initiative for easy, efficient, and secure signing of electronic documents by an Aadhaar holder. Five agencies namely eMudhra Ltd., C-DAC, (n)Code Solutions, NSDL e-Governance Infrastructure Ltd. and Capricorn have been empanelled to offer e-Sign Services. Over 4.50+ crore eSigns have been issued.

(b): As Digital India is an umbrella programme that covers multiple projects of various Central Ministries/Departments & States/UTs and is being implemented by concern Ministry/Department. Each Ministry/Department has its own agreement with company/agency. However, National e-Governance Division(NeGD), MeitY has signed agreement to carry out various activities under Digital India as follows:

- Under Digital Locker-18
- Consulting Companies-6
- Advertising agencies- 10
- Audio visual agencies- 2
- Translation agencies – 4
- Digital Media Services Agencies- 17
- Website/Microsite and App Development Agencies- 17
- Gamification- 8
- Game Development - 3
- Outreach Agencies- 4

(c): Amount of investments generated under some of the schemes under Digital India are as follows:

- **Under Modified Specific Incentive Programmes (MSIPs):** A proposed investment of Rs. 91,642 crore for 242 proposals.
- **Electronic Development Fund(EDF):** 22 daughter funds have been approved with a commitment of Rs. 1,227 crore involving a total targeted corpus of Rs. 10,900 crore.
- **Electronics Manufacturing Clusters(EMC):** 21 EMCs with project cost of Rs. 3645 crore including Government of India Grant-in-aid of Rs. 1477 crore.

The Job opportunities generated under some of the initiatives as follows:

- BPO Promotion schemes: More than 1.50 Lakh
- Common Services Centre (CSC): More than 10 Lakh
- Electronics Manufacturing Clusters (EMC): More than 10 Lakh
- Cellular Mobile Handset & components manufacturing: 4.50 Lakh
