

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No.3024**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2018**  
**Cyber-Gram**

**3024. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans of launching Minority Cyber-Gram in parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof
- (c) if not, the reasons for discontinuation of the scheme;
- (d) the current status of Cyber-Grams that exist across the country;
- (e) the objectives and the target beneficiaries of the yojana;
- (f) the total funds allocated by the Government for this programme; and
- (g) the total number of Cyber-Grams that have been opened across the country and are currently open and functioning?

**ANSWER**  
**MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**  
**(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)**

(a) to (g): A pilot project for minority Cyber Gram was launched for digital literacy in a minority dominated village Chandauli, District Alwar, Rajasthan. The Ministry mainstreamed the Cyber Gram project with the Multi-sectoral Development Programme in the year 2014-15 as a special initiative. Under this initiative, students of minority communities are provided hands on training in computers to enable them to acquire basic Information and Communication Technology (ICT) skills; become digitally literate; actively participate in knowledge based activities; access financial, social and government services and use internet for communications. The initiative covers students of Class VI to Class X belonging to notified minority communities (Muslims, Sikhs, Christians, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains) residing in minority concentration areas identified under Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP). The project is being implemented through Common Service Center (CSC) e-governance India Ltd-a company under Department of Electronics and Information Technology with support of States/UTs. The funds per candidate sanctioned under the programme is Rs.1555/- which is shared by Central Government and State. As per Cybergram Project Monitoring Unit (PMU) of CSC e-Governance Services India Ltd (<http://www.cybergramyojana.in>), the present status of implementation of cybergram is as under:-

State	Approved unit (nos. of participants)	Training completed (nos. of participants)
Uttar Pradesh	173143	97124
West Bengal	170005	213085
Tripura	18109	18426
Maharashtra	28000	15791
Rajasthan	10400	9128

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