

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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CYBER SERVICES TO GRAM PANCHAYATS

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Will the MINISTER OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has started the Common Service Centres (CSC) to provide cyberservices to the Gram Panchayats and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the number of said CSCs set up in the country, district and State/UT-wise including West Bengal, Bihar, Maharashtra and Haryana, particularly in Sonipat constituency;
- (c) the time by which the said dedicated CSCs will be set up in all the Gram Panchayat across the country including West Bengal, Bihar, Maharashtra and Haryana;
- (d) the status of implementation of “Digital India” scheme in the country;
- (e) whether all the villages and remotely located towns of the country have been connected with basic communications/internet services;
- (f) if so, the details of the said connectivity with respect to Amravati Parliamentary Constituency and if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the connectivity is likely to be provided to the said Constituency; and
- (g) whether in view of online classes the Government is providing basic internet facilities to all the villages in order to enable youth, particularly of rural areas to get education in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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(a) to (c): Common Services Centres (CSCs) have been setup under an initiative of the Electronics and Information Technology. CSC e-Governance Services India Limited, a special purpose vehicle (SPV), is the implementing agency. The CSC initiative aims to deliver e-services to rural citizens through CSCs and expand the CSC network till the Gram Panchayat level. Over 400 services are being delivered through CSCs, including government services, financial services and services related to Aadhaar, various social welfare schemes, education, telemedicine, travel bookings, utility payments, etc.

As per information furnished by CSC e-Governance Services India Limited, as on 31.1.2023, 5,23,208 CSCs were functional across the country, out of which 4,15,228 CSCs were functional at the Gram Panchayat level. The State- and Union-territory-wise and district-wise number of CSCs, including in the States of West Bengal, Bihar, Maharashtra and Haryana, as on 31.1.2023, are at Annexure-I. Further, the total number of CSCs in Sonipat district is 920, including 605 CSCs in the rural area of the district.

CSCs are run on a self-sustainable basis by village level entrepreneurs and the setting up of CSCs in a particular locality depends upon a number of factors, such as the viability of operations, the demand for its services and the footfalls at the Centres. The implementing agency makes efforts on an ongoing basis to improve the viability by expanding the bouquet of services and strengthening the integrated delivery platform. The number of GPs with

atleast one functional CSC in the States of West Bengal, Bihar, Maharashtra and Haryana are as below (as on 31.1.2023):

S. No.	State	Total number of GPs [as per Local Government Directory (LGD)]	Number of GPs with atleast one functional CSC
1	West Bengal	3,341	3,291
2	Bihar	8,385	8,385
3	Maharashtra	27,875	27,875
4	Haryana	6,197	6,091

(d): Government has launched the Digital India programme with the vision of transforming India into a digitally empowered society and a knowledge-based economy, by ensuring digital access, digital inclusion, digital empowerment and bridging the digital divide. The programme is centred on three key vision areas, namely, digital infrastructure as a core utility to every citizen, governance and services on demand, and digital empowerment of citizens. Digital India is an umbrella programme that covers multiple projects of various Central Ministries/Departments and States and Union Territories (UTs). The status of some of the key initiatives undertaken by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology under the programme is at Annexure-II.

(e): The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has apprised that it has been implementing the BharatNet project in a phased manner to create network to connect Gram Panchayats (GPs)/ villages with broadband in the country. This infrastructure is leased to Telecom Service Providers (TSPs)/Internet Service Providers (ISPs) for provision of Internet connectivity in GPs/villages. Under the BharatNet Project, as of February 2023, the number of GPs planned was 2,64,388 and the number of GPs made service-ready was 1,89,256.

DoT has further informed that, as of March 2022, around 6,05,230 number of villages out 6,44,131 villages, have mobile connectivity in the country.

(f): DoT has apprised that the status of BharatNet implementation in the Amravati Parliamentary Constituency and mobile coverage is as follows:

- (i) Number of GPs planned for BharatNet: 478
- (ii) Number of BharatNet-service-ready GPs: 478
- (iii) Number of villages in the Amravati District, Maharashtra having mobile connectivity(as of March 2022): 1,808

DoT has further apprised that, on 30.6.2021, the scope of BharatNet was extended upto all inhabited villages beyond GPs, and the target for completion, including for Amravati Parliamentary Constituency, is the year 2025.

(g): DoT has apprised that Government is implementing various schemes under the Universal Service Obligation Fund to provide telecom connectivity in all remaining uncovered villages, in a phased manner. A list of major schemes is at Annexure-III.

Annexure-I

State- and Union-territory-wise number of CSCs (as on 31.1.2023)

S.N.	State/Union territory	Total number of CSCs (urban and rural)	Functional CSCs at the Gram Panchayat level
1	Andhra Pradesh	10,148	7,556
2	Arunachal Pradesh	211	158
3	Assam	12,606	11,517
4	Bihar	54,356	48,660
5	Chhattisgarh	19,143	15,305

6	Goa	234	174
7	Gujarat	15,669	10,998
8	Haryana	19,585	13,729
9	Himachal Pradesh	5,225	4,594
10	Jharkhand	21,674	18,958
11	Karnataka	9,655	6,317
12	Kerala	7,479	5,833
13	Madhya Pradesh	44,406	33,696
14	Maharashtra	57,024	44,422
15	Manipur	958	780
16	Meghalaya	954	849
17	Mizoram	419	286
18	Nagaland	518	359
19	Odisha	17,395	15,273
20	Punjab	11,211	7,799
21	Rajasthan	23,553	19,098
22	Sikkim	112	96
23	Tamil Nadu	14,510	9,786
24	Telangana	7,100	5,098
25	Tripura	1,856	1,577
26	Uttar Pradesh	1,20,076	95,579
27	Uttarakhand	9,450	7,007
28	West Bengal	25,448	23,026
29	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	91	63
30	Chandigarh	133	10
31	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	106	72
32	Delhi	4,233	176
33	Jammu and Kashmir	7,284	6,125
34	Ladakh	101	88
35	Lakshadweep	10	10
36	Puducherry	275	154
	Total	5,23,208	4,15,228

Source: CSC e-Governance Service India Limited

District-wise number of CSCs (as on 31.1.2023)

S.N.	State / Union territory	District	Total number of CSCs (urban and rural)	Functional CSCs at Gram Panchayat level
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	Nicobar	2	2
2	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	North and Middle Andaman	41	41
3	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	South Andamans	48	20
4	Andhra Pradesh	Alluri Sitharama Raju	200	198
5	Andhra Pradesh	Anakapalle	23	12
6	Andhra Pradesh	Anantapur	695	523
7	Andhra Pradesh	Annamayya	309	251
8	Andhra Pradesh	Bapatla	21	14
9	Andhra Pradesh	Chittoor	383	301
10	Andhra Pradesh	East Godavari	576	476
11	Andhra Pradesh	Eluru	42	16
12	Andhra Pradesh	Guntur	647	375
13	Andhra Pradesh	Kakinada	72	27
14	Andhra Pradesh	Konaseema	405	361
15	Andhra Pradesh	Krishna	639	410
16	Andhra Pradesh	Kurnool	752	558
17	Andhra Pradesh	Nandyal	42	11
18	Andhra Pradesh	Ntr	375	318
19	Andhra Pradesh	Palnadu	506	394
20	Andhra Pradesh	Parvathipuram	23	14
21	Andhra Pradesh	Prakasam	836	653
22	Andhra Pradesh	Spsr Nellore	536	328
23	Andhra Pradesh	Sri Sathya Sai	357	280

24	Andhra Pradesh	Srikakulam	626	543
25	Andhra Pradesh	Tirupati	63	22
26	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam	589	368
27	Andhra Pradesh	Vizianagaram	285	254
28	Andhra Pradesh	West Godavari	625	507
29	Andhra Pradesh	Y.S.R.	521	342
30	Arunachal Pradesh	Anjaw	3	3
31	Arunachal Pradesh	Changlang	35	32
32	Arunachal Pradesh	Dibang Valley	1	1
33	Arunachal Pradesh	East Kameng	6	3
34	Arunachal Pradesh	East Siang	9	4
35	Arunachal Pradesh	Kamle	0	0
36	Arunachal Pradesh	KraDaadi	2	1
37	Arunachal Pradesh	KurungKumey	4	4
38	Arunachal Pradesh	Lepa Rada	1	1
39	Arunachal Pradesh	Lohit	11	6
40	Arunachal Pradesh	Longding	6	6
41	Arunachal Pradesh	Lower Dibang Valley	9	7
42	Arunachal Pradesh	Lower Siang	0	0
43	Arunachal Pradesh	Lower Subansiri	10	9
44	Arunachal Pradesh	Namsai	18	15
45	Arunachal Pradesh	Pakke-Kessang	0	0
46	Arunachal Pradesh	Papum Pare	44	19
47	Arunachal Pradesh	Shi Yomi	0	0
48	Arunachal Pradesh	Siang	1	1
49	Arunachal Pradesh	Tawang	7	7
50	Arunachal Pradesh	Tirap	14	12
51	Arunachal Pradesh	Upper Siang	5	5
52	Arunachal Pradesh	Upper Subansiri	9	9
53	Arunachal Pradesh	West Kameng	11	8
54	Arunachal Pradesh	West Siang	5	5
55	Assam	Bajali	43	42
56	Assam	Baksa	311	311
57	Assam	Barpeta	956	897
58	Assam	Biswanath	227	217
59	Assam	Bongaigaon	415	382
60	Assam	Cachar	506	460
61	Assam	Charaideo	118	105
62	Assam	Chirang	218	198
63	Assam	Darrang	464	445
64	Assam	Dhemaji	551	514
65	Assam	Dhubri	993	904
66	Assam	Dibrugarh	339	302
67	Assam	Dima Hasao	29	16
68	Assam	Goalpara	559	525
69	Assam	Golaghat	378	347
70	Assam	Hailakandi	266	242
71	Assam	Hojai	395	360
72	Assam	Jorhat	290	258
73	Assam	Kamrup (Rural)	599	586
74	Assam	Kamrup Metropolitan	196	60
75	Assam	KarbiAnglong	168	130
76	Assam	Karimganj	288	262
77	Assam	Kokrajhar	332	301
78	Assam	Lakhimpur	455	401
79	Assam	Majuli	57	57
80	Assam	Marigaon	628	587
81	Assam	Nagaon	924	852
82	Assam	Nalbari	282	266
83	Assam	Sivasagar	252	230
84	Assam	Sonitpur	331	303
85	Assam	South SalmaraMancachar	304	304
86	Assam	Tamulpur	94	94
87	Assam	Tinsukia	315	276
88	Assam	Udalguri	271	233

89	Assam	West KarbiAnglong	52	50
90	Bihar	Araria	1,907	1,794
91	Bihar	Arwal	246	226
92	Bihar	Aurangabad	1,050	926
93	Bihar	Banka	1,341	1,253
94	Bihar	Begusarai	1,435	1,215
95	Bihar	Bhagalpur	1,821	1,585
96	Bihar	Bhojpur	1,027	845
97	Bihar	Buxar	644	564
98	Bihar	Darbhanga	2,391	2,203
99	Bihar	Gaya	1,761	1,579
100	Bihar	Gopalganj	1,566	1,446
101	Bihar	Jamui	995	912
102	Bihar	Jehanabad	385	320
103	Bihar	Kaimur(Bhabua)	708	631
104	Bihar	Katihar	2,026	1,883
105	Bihar	Khagaria	957	885
106	Bihar	Kishanganj	1,093	984
107	Bihar	Lakhisarai	443	350
108	Bihar	Madhepura	1,407	1,324
109	Bihar	Madhubani	2,647	2,507
110	Bihar	Munger	636	502
111	Bihar	Muzaffarpur	3,057	2,860
112	Bihar	Nalanda	1,236	1,042
113	Bihar	Nawada	906	811
114	Bihar	West Champaran	1,977	1,733
115	Bihar	Patna	2,151	1,454
116	Bihar	East Champaran	2,695	2,445
117	Bihar	Purnia	1,875	1,710
118	Bihar	Rohtas	1,011	839
119	Bihar	Saharsa	1,221	1,061
120	Bihar	Samastipur	2,143	2,034
121	Bihar	Saran	2,034	1,824
122	Bihar	Sheikhpura	297	218
123	Bihar	Sheohar	382	352
124	Bihar	Sitamarhi	2,082	1,927
125	Bihar	Siwan	1,736	1,616
126	Bihar	Supaul	1,469	1,363
127	Bihar	Vaishali	1,598	1,437
128	Chandigarh	Chandigarh	133	10
129	Chhattisgarh	Balod	643	556
130	Chhattisgarh	Baloda Bazar	1,065	927
131	Chhattisgarh	Balrampur	648	590
132	Chhattisgarh	Bastar	381	317
133	Chhattisgarh	Bemetara	790	680
134	Chhattisgarh	Bijapur	84	67
135	Chhattisgarh	Bilaspur	1,300	915
136	Chhattisgarh	Dantewada	101	59
137	Chhattisgarh	Dhamtari	678	568
138	Chhattisgarh	Durg	1,064	575
139	Chhattisgarh	Gariyaband	500	446
140	Chhattisgarh	GaurellaPendraMarwahi	185	176
141	Chhattisgarh	Janjgir-Champa	1,460	1,278
142	Chhattisgarh	Jashpur	536	472
143	Chhattisgarh	Kabirdham	805	697
144	Chhattisgarh	Kanker	606	520
145	Chhattisgarh	Khairagarh	181	159
146	Chhattisgarh	Kondagaon	354	310
147	Chhattisgarh	Korba	770	544
148	Chhattisgarh	Korea	455	376
149	Chhattisgarh	Mahasamund	907	775
150	Chhattisgarh	Manendragarh	110	74
151	Chhattisgarh	Mohla	54	53
152	Chhattisgarh	Mungeli	496	415
153	Chhattisgarh	Narayanpur	71	55

154	Chhattisgarh	Raigarh	903	757
155	Chhattisgarh	Raipur	1,320	654
156	Chhattisgarh	Rajnandgaon	1,062	888
157	Chhattisgarh	Sakti	162	132
158	Chhattisgarh	Sarangarh	239	214
159	Chhattisgarh	Sukma	102	81
160	Chhattisgarh	Surajpur	566	521
161	Chhattisgarh	Surguja	545	454
162	Delhi	Central Delhi	165	9
163	Delhi	East Delhi	430	10
164	Delhi	New Delhi	38	2
165	Delhi	North Delhi	273	35
166	Delhi	North East Delhi	702	19
167	Delhi	North West Delhi	715	24
168	Delhi	Shahdara	88	4
169	Delhi	South Delhi	585	18
170	Delhi	South East Delhi	236	6
171	Delhi	South West Delhi	557	32
172	Delhi	West Delhi	444	17
173	Goa	North Goa	119	97
174	Goa	South Goa	115	77
175	Gujarat	Ahmadabad	847	228
176	Gujarat	Amreli	363	245
177	Gujarat	Anand	626	459
178	Gujarat	Arvalli	376	340
179	Gujarat	Banaskantha	1,026	892
180	Gujarat	Bharuch	318	255
181	Gujarat	Bhavnagar	519	337
182	Gujarat	Botad	185	150
183	Gujarat	Chhotaudepur	229	216
184	Gujarat	Dang	99	99
185	Gujarat	Devbhumi Dwarka	302	217
186	Gujarat	Dohad	923	849
187	Gujarat	Gandhinagar	324	231
188	Gujarat	Gir Somnath	510	432
189	Gujarat	Jamnagar	318	169
190	Gujarat	Junagadh	315	187
191	Gujarat	Kachchh	450	327
192	Gujarat	Kheda	941	765
193	Gujarat	Mahesana	414	291
194	Gujarat	Mahisagar	434	360
195	Gujarat	Morbi	178	122
196	Gujarat	Narmada	236	218
197	Gujarat	Navsari	443	372
198	Gujarat	Panch Mahals	739	604
199	Gujarat	Patan	325	213
200	Gujarat	Porbandar	198	103
201	Gujarat	Rajkot	414	198
202	Gujarat	Sabar Kantha	603	482
203	Gujarat	Surat	1127	356
204	Gujarat	Surendranagar	437	292
205	Gujarat	Tapi	298	277
206	Gujarat	Vadodara	598	300
207	Gujarat	Valsad	554	412
208	Haryana	Ambala	962	627
209	Haryana	Bhiwani	1,127	879
210	Haryana	Charkhi Dadri	466	412
211	Haryana	Faridabad	1010	326
212	Haryana	Fatehabad	817	602
213	Haryana	Gurugram	789	389
214	Haryana	Hisar	1,326	933
215	Haryana	Jhajjar	671	492
216	Haryana	Jind	1,220	893
217	Haryana	Kaithal	905	682
218	Haryana	Karnal	1,296	960

219	Haryana	Kurukshetra	869	645
220	Haryana	Mahendragarh	725	618
221	Haryana	Nuh	864	764
222	Haryana	Palwal	932	676
223	Haryana	Panchkula	296	161
224	Haryana	Panipat	897	560
225	Haryana	Rewari	729	583
226	Haryana	Rohtak	563	344
227	Haryana	Sirsa	1,022	809
228	Haryana	Sonapat	920	605
229	Haryana	Yamunanagar	1,179	769
230	Himachal Pradesh	Bilaspur	248	230
231	Himachal Pradesh	Chamba	356	340
232	Himachal Pradesh	Hamirpur	398	357
233	Himachal Pradesh	Kangra	1,288	1,154
234	Himachal Pradesh	Kinnaur	90	90
235	Himachal Pradesh	Kullu	375	321
236	Himachal Pradesh	Lahuland Spiti	14	14
237	Himachal Pradesh	Mandi	793	688
238	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	451	368
239	Himachal Pradesh	Sirmaur	423	370
240	Himachal Pradesh	Solan	364	301
241	Himachal Pradesh	Una	425	361
242	Jammu and Kashmir	Anantnag	668	562
243	Jammu and Kashmir	Bandipora	316	254
244	Jammu and Kashmir	Baramulla	645	564
245	Jammu and Kashmir	Budgam	597	548
246	Jammu and Kashmir	Doda	290	276
247	Jammu and Kashmir	Ganderbal	236	219
248	Jammu and Kashmir	Jammu	626	409
249	Jammu and Kashmir	Kathua	354	314
250	Jammu and Kashmir	Kishtwar	172	155
251	Jammu and Kashmir	Kulgam	370	332
252	Jammu and Kashmir	Kupwara	515	492
253	Jammu and Kashmir	Poonch	286	272
254	Jammu and Kashmir	Pulwama	357	311
255	Jammu and Kashmir	Rajouri	404	370
256	Jammu and Kashmir	Ramban	256	240
257	Jammu and Kashmir	Reasi	242	227
258	Jammu and Kashmir	Samba	164	139
259	Jammu and Kashmir	Shopian	188	173
260	Jammu and Kashmir	Srinagar	344	51
261	Jammu and Kashmir	Udhampur	254	217
262	Jharkhand	Bokaro	1,201	1,037
263	Jharkhand	Chatra	820	761
264	Jharkhand	Deoghar	1,481	1,274
265	Jharkhand	Dhanbad	1,292	933
266	Jharkhand	Dumka	1,131	1,050
267	Jharkhand	East Singhbhum	867	642
268	Jharkhand	Garhwa	1,007	931
269	Jharkhand	Giridih	1,991	1,867
270	Jharkhand	Godda	1,200	1,118
271	Jharkhand	Gumla	547	501
272	Jharkhand	Hazaribagh	1,518	1,360
273	Jharkhand	Jamtara	706	658
274	Jharkhand	Khunti	298	270
275	Jharkhand	Koderma	542	461
276	Jharkhand	Latehar	628	570
277	Jharkhand	Lohardaga	272	249
278	Jharkhand	Pakur	626	587
279	Jharkhand	Palamu	1,373	1,192
280	Jharkhand	Ramgarh	575	496
281	Jharkhand	Ranchi	1,447	1,117
282	Jharkhand	Sahebganj	762	683
283	Jharkhand	Saraikela-Kharsawan	566	470

284	Jharkhand	Simdega	206	188
285	Jharkhand	West Singhbhum	618	543
286	Karnataka	Bagalkot	345	217
287	Karnataka	Ballari	241	131
288	Karnataka	Belagavi	826	588
289	Karnataka	Bengaluru Rural	193	156
290	Karnataka	Bengaluru Urban	553	60
291	Karnataka	Bidar	396	276
292	Karnataka	Chamarajanagara	139	112
293	Karnataka	Chikkaballapura	170	116
294	Karnataka	Chikkamagaluru	132	92
295	Karnataka	Chitradurga	252	185
296	Karnataka	Dakshina Kannada	308	208
297	Karnataka	Davangere	332	199
298	Karnataka	Dharwad	400	227
299	Karnataka	Gadag	276	171
300	Karnataka	Hassan	307	222
301	Karnataka	Haveri	341	261
302	Karnataka	Kalaburagi	459	294
303	Karnataka	Kodagu	78	57
304	Karnataka	Kolar	167	108
305	Karnataka	Koppal	272	210
306	Karnataka	Mandya	266	189
307	Karnataka	Mysuru	401	222
308	Karnataka	Raichur	402	281
309	Karnataka	Ramanagara	217	143
310	Karnataka	Shivamogga	345	230
311	Karnataka	Tumakuru	391	292
312	Karnataka	Udupi	278	220
313	Karnataka	Uttara Kannada	302	236
314	Karnataka	Vijayapura	439	299
315	Karnataka	Vijaynagar	195	148
316	Karnataka	Yadgir	232	167
317	Kerala	Alappuzha	612	504
318	Kerala	Ernakulam	562	377
319	Kerala	Idukki	303	272
320	Kerala	Kannur	602	445
321	Kerala	Kasaragod	322	281
322	Kerala	Kollam	638	514
323	Kerala	Kottayam	376	312
324	Kerala	Kozhikode	605	440
325	Kerala	Malappuram	738	572
326	Kerala	Palakkad	638	522
327	Kerala	Pathanamthitta	339	286
328	Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram	792	599
329	Kerala	Thrissur	730	533
330	Kerala	Wayanad	222	176
331	Ladakh	Kargil	74	67
332	Ladakh	LehLadakh	27	21
333	Lakshadweep	Lakshadweep	10	10
334	Madhya Pradesh	Agar Malwa	406	317
335	Madhya Pradesh	Alirajpur	470	427
336	Madhya Pradesh	Anuppur	624	538
337	Madhya Pradesh	Ashoknagar	541	430
338	Madhya Pradesh	Balaghat	1,217	1,097
339	Madhya Pradesh	Barwani	554	442
340	Madhya Pradesh	Betul	975	830
341	Madhya Pradesh	Bhind	688	435
342	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	885	258
343	Madhya Pradesh	Burhanpur	430	276
344	Madhya Pradesh	Chhatarpur	1,867	1,418
345	Madhya Pradesh	Chhindwara	1,431	1,101
346	Madhya Pradesh	Damoh	1,115	925
347	Madhya Pradesh	Datia	544	425
348	Madhya Pradesh	Dewas	892	640

349	Madhya Pradesh	Dhar	948	768
350	Madhya Pradesh	Dindori	543	497
351	Madhya Pradesh	East Nimar	726	595
352	Madhya Pradesh	Guna	859	632
353	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior	904	361
354	Madhya Pradesh	Harda	311	243
355	Madhya Pradesh	Hoshangabad	580	422
356	Madhya Pradesh	Indore	1,056	356
357	Madhya Pradesh	Jabalpur	1,166	614
358	Madhya Pradesh	Jhabua	481	411
359	Madhya Pradesh	Katni	834	700
360	Madhya Pradesh	Khargone	930	771
361	Madhya Pradesh	Mandla	925	832
362	Madhya Pradesh	Mandsaur	835	664
363	Madhya Pradesh	Morena	1,160	785
364	Madhya Pradesh	Narsinghpur	621	483
365	Madhya Pradesh	Neemuch	529	366
366	Madhya Pradesh	Niwari	282	242
367	Madhya Pradesh	Panna	659	569
368	Madhya Pradesh	Raisen	718	494
369	Madhya Pradesh	Rajgarh	991	810
370	Madhya Pradesh	Ratlam	738	532
371	Madhya Pradesh	Rewa	1,983	1,635
372	Madhya Pradesh	Sagar	1,891	1,419
373	Madhya Pradesh	Satna	1,313	992
374	Madhya Pradesh	Sehore	756	589
375	Madhya Pradesh	Seoni	863	757
376	Madhya Pradesh	Shahdol	961	820
377	Madhya Pradesh	Shajapur	538	432
378	Madhya Pradesh	Sheopur	334	265
379	Madhya Pradesh	Shivpuri	886	698
380	Madhya Pradesh	Sidhi	995	873
381	Madhya Pradesh	Singrauli	947	828
382	Madhya Pradesh	Tikamgarh	793	654
383	Madhya Pradesh	Ujjain	1,074	719
384	Madhya Pradesh	Umaria	544	477
385	Madhya Pradesh	Vidisha	1,093	832
386	Maharashtra	Ahmednagar	2,625	2,236
387	Maharashtra	Akola	1,176	896
388	Maharashtra	Amravati	1,716	1,403
389	Maharashtra	Aurangabad	2,412	1,792
390	Maharashtra	Beed	2,315	1,857
391	Maharashtra	Bhandara	1,181	1,065
392	Maharashtra	Buldhana	2,168	1,770
393	Maharashtra	Chandrapur	1,331	1,076
394	Maharashtra	Dhule	1,278	1,019
395	Maharashtra	Gadchiroli	826	737
396	Maharashtra	Gondia	1,198	1,066
397	Maharashtra	Hingoli	1,165	955
398	Maharashtra	Jalgaon	2,294	1,774
399	Maharashtra	Jalna	2,013	1,679
400	Maharashtra	Kolhapur	1,889	1,601
401	Maharashtra	Latur	1,638	1,256
402	Maharashtra	Mumbai	625	5
403	Maharashtra	Mumbai Suburban	236	7
404	Maharashtra	Nagpur	1,833	1,234
405	Maharashtra	Nanded	2,534	1,975
406	Maharashtra	Nandurbar	1,087	965
407	Maharashtra	Nashik	3,295	2,437
408	Maharashtra	Osmanabad	1,565	1,305
409	Maharashtra	Palghar	1,126	810
410	Maharashtra	Parbhani	1,703	1,184
411	Maharashtra	Pune	2,435	1,727
412	Maharashtra	Raigad	1,027	836
413	Maharashtra	Ratnagiri	920	814

414	Maharashtra	Sangli	1,386	1143
415	Maharashtra	Satara	1,859	1,632
416	Maharashtra	Sindhudurg	607	558
417	Maharashtra	Solapur	2,355	1,895
418	Maharashtra	Thane	1,531	625
419	Maharashtra	Wardha	774	655
420	Maharashtra	Washim	1,008	856
421	Maharashtra	Yavatmal	1,893	1,577
422	Manipur	Bishnupur	114	74
423	Manipur	Chandel	13	13
424	Manipur	Churachandpur	125	125
425	Manipur	Imphal East	145	115
426	Manipur	Imphal West	142	89
427	Manipur	Jiribam	11	8
428	Manipur	Kakching	50	40
429	Manipur	Kamjong	18	18
430	Manipur	Kangpokpi	48	48
431	Manipur	Noney	23	23
432	Manipur	Pherzawl	8	8
433	Manipur	Senapati	25	24
434	Manipur	Tamenglong	28	28
435	Manipur	Tengnoupal	24	24
436	Manipur	Thoubal	116	75
437	Manipur	Ukhrul	68	68
438	Meghalaya	East Garo Hills	35	25
439	Meghalaya	East Jaintia Hills	81	81
440	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	188	146
441	Meghalaya	Eastern West Khasi Hills	38	33
442	Meghalaya	North Garo Hills	61	56
443	Meghalaya	Ri Bhoi	84	77
444	Meghalaya	South Garo Hills	52	48
445	Meghalaya	South West Garo Hills	96	96
446	Meghalaya	South West Khasi Hills	47	46
447	Meghalaya	West Garo Hills	126	116
448	Meghalaya	West Jaintia Hills	94	85
449	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	52	40
450	Mizoram	Aizawl	92	25
451	Mizoram	Champhai	27	18
452	Mizoram	Hnahthial	7	7
453	Mizoram	Khawzawl	5	3
454	Mizoram	Kolasib	45	35
455	Mizoram	Lawngtlai	52	50
456	Mizoram	Lunglei	73	58
457	Mizoram	Mamit	61	48
458	Mizoram	Saiha	7	6
459	Mizoram	Saitual	10	9
460	Mizoram	Serchhip	40	27
461	Nagaland	Chumoukedima	38	29
462	Nagaland	Dimapur	70	26
463	Nagaland	Kiphire	41	35
464	Nagaland	Kohima	32	17
465	Nagaland	Longleng	23	21
466	Nagaland	Mokokchung	25	12
467	Nagaland	Mon	112	83
468	Nagaland	Noklak	7	7
469	Nagaland	Peren	51	46
470	Nagaland	Phek	28	21
471	Nagaland	Tseminyu	0	0
472	Nagaland	Tuensang	42	31
473	Nagaland	Wokha	32	20
474	Nagaland	Zunheboto	17	11
475	Odisha	Anugul	446	413
476	Odisha	Balangir	1,003	920
477	Odisha	Baleshwar	1,162	1,048
478	Odisha	Bargarh	676	625

479	Odisha	Bhadrak	573	499
480	Odisha	Boudh	243	230
481	Odisha	Cuttack	1,027	861
482	Odisha	Deogarh	186	172
483	Odisha	Dhenkanal	484	439
484	Odisha	Gajapati	317	285
485	Odisha	Ganjam	1,324	1,096
486	Odisha	Jagatsinghapur	545	500
487	Odisha	Jajapur	757	715
488	Odisha	Jharsuguda	233	174
489	Odisha	Kalahandi	876	814
490	Odisha	Kandhamal	268	238
491	Odisha	Kendrapara	697	656
492	Odisha	Kendujhar	593	529
493	Odisha	Khordha	653	399
494	Odisha	Koraput	325	276
495	Odisha	Malkangiri	293	277
496	Odisha	Mayurbhanj	876	781
497	Odisha	Nabarangpur	553	520
498	Odisha	Nayagarh	382	328
499	Odisha	Nuapada	393	363
500	Odisha	Puri	689	589
501	Odisha	Rayagada	353	309
502	Odisha	Sambalpur	401	304
503	Odisha	Sonepur	298	270
504	Odisha	Sundargarh	769	643
505	Puducherry	Karaikal	51	31
506	Puducherry	Mahe	7	0
507	Puducherry	Pondicherry	212	123
508	Puducherry	Yanam	5	0
509	Punjab	Amritsar	770	398
510	Punjab	Barnala	252	177
511	Punjab	Bathinda	471	273
512	Punjab	Faridkot	257	191
513	Punjab	Fatehgarh Sahib	388	293
514	Punjab	Fazilka	528	413
515	Punjab	Firozepur	694	544
516	Punjab	Gurdaspur	782	592
517	Punjab	Hoshiarpur	583	480
518	Punjab	Jalandhar	637	318
519	Punjab	Kapurthala	269	172
520	Punjab	Ludhiana	1,074	565
521	Punjab	Malerkotla	93	50
522	Punjab	Mansa	343	261
523	Punjab	Moga	367	283
524	Punjab	Pathankot	409	307
525	Punjab	Patiala	866	616
526	Punjab	Rupnagar	594	513
527	Punjab	S.A.S Nagar	340	189
528	Punjab	Sangrur	394	296
529	Punjab	Shahid Bhagat Singh Nagar	274	235
530	Punjab	Sri Muktsar Sahib	377	277
531	Punjab	Tarn Taran	449	356
532	Rajasthan	Ajmer	928	676
533	Rajasthan	Alwar	1,084	933
534	Rajasthan	Banswara	620	559
535	Rajasthan	Baran	688	563
536	Rajasthan	Barmer	846	799
537	Rajasthan	Bharatpur	757	565
538	Rajasthan	Bhilwara	852	717
539	Rajasthan	Bikaner	673	533
540	Rajasthan	Bundi	514	419
541	Rajasthan	Chittorgarh	549	462
542	Rajasthan	Churu	827	650

543	Rajasthan	Dausa	703	616
544	Rajasthan	Dholpur	585	469
545	Rajasthan	Dungarpur	409	390
546	Rajasthan	Ganganagar	647	531
547	Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	904	739
548	Rajasthan	Jaipur	1,424	923
549	Rajasthan	Jaisalmer	220	201
550	Rajasthan	Jalore	755	693
551	Rajasthan	Jhalawar	747	638
552	Rajasthan	Jhunjhunu	787	614
553	Rajasthan	Jodhpur	1,002	802
554	Rajasthan	Karauli	506	367
555	Rajasthan	Kota	731	381
556	Rajasthan	Nagaur	1,241	1,064
557	Rajasthan	Pali	851	707
558	Rajasthan	Pratapgarh	319	266
559	Rajasthan	Rajsamand	556	489
560	Rajasthan	SawaiMadhopur	344	278
561	Rajasthan	Sikar	883	694
562	Rajasthan	Sirohi	377	330
563	Rajasthan	Tonk	577	468
564	Rajasthan	Udaipur	647	562
565	Sikkim	East District	37	27
566	Sikkim	North District	8	8
567	Sikkim	Pakyong	5	5
568	Sikkim	Soreng	4	4
569	Sikkim	South District	33	28
570	Sikkim	West District	25	24
571	Tamil Nadu	Ariyalur	289	258
572	Tamil Nadu	Chengalpattu	195	174
573	Tamil Nadu	Chennai	337	14
574	Tamil Nadu	Coimbatore	483	188
575	Tamil Nadu	Cuddalore	625	451
576	Tamil Nadu	Dharmapuri	527	445
577	Tamil Nadu	Dindigul	379	254
578	Tamil Nadu	Erode	386	218
579	Tamil Nadu	Kallakurichi	280	251
580	Tamil Nadu	Kanchipuram	325	169
581	Tamil Nadu	Kanniyakumari	462	251
582	Tamil Nadu	Karur	317	216
583	Tamil Nadu	Krishnagiri	533	431
584	Tamil Nadu	Madurai	381	193
585	Tamil Nadu	Mayiladuthurai	80	51
586	Tamil Nadu	Nagapattinam	405	339
587	Tamil Nadu	Namakkal	309	208
588	Tamil Nadu	Perambalur	223	190
589	Tamil Nadu	Pudukkottai	369	279
590	Tamil Nadu	Ramanathapuram	475	348
591	Tamil Nadu	Ranipet	144	124
592	Tamil Nadu	Salem	645	412
593	Tamil Nadu	Sivaganga	297	196
594	Tamil Nadu	Tenkasi	274	237
595	Tamil Nadu	Thanjavur	549	400
596	Tamil Nadu	The Nilgiris	151	95
597	Tamil Nadu	Theni	292	153
598	Tamil Nadu	Thiruvallur	396	242
599	Tamil Nadu	Thiruvarur	300	222
600	Tamil Nadu	Tiruchirappalli	624	448
601	Tamil Nadu	Tirunelveli	360	165
602	Tamil Nadu	Tirupathur	216	189
603	Tamil Nadu	Tiruppur	426	233
604	Tamil Nadu	Tiruvannamalai	617	481
605	Tamil Nadu	Tuticorin	394	248
606	Tamil Nadu	Vellore	328	177
607	Tamil Nadu	Villupuram	557	426

608	Tamil Nadu	Virudhunagar	560	410
609	Telangana	Adilabad	292	239
610	Telangana	BhadradiKothagudem	341	294
611	Telangana	Warangal Urban	152	87
612	Telangana	Hyderabad	334	0
613	Telangana	Jagitial	245	174
614	Telangana	Jangoan	103	82
615	Telangana	JayashankarBhupalapally	162	146
616	Telangana	JogulambaGadwal	178	151
617	Telangana	Kamareddy	142	115
618	Telangana	Karimnagar	308	198
619	Telangana	Khammam	291	226
620	Telangana	KumuramBheemAsifaba d	117	108
621	Telangana	Mahabubabad	158	114
622	Telangana	Mahabubnagar	247	182
623	Telangana	Mancherial	168	110
624	Telangana	Medak	260	229
625	Telangana	MedchalMalkajgiri	189	30
626	Telangana	Mulugu	95	95
627	Telangana	Nagarkurnool	265	239
628	Telangana	Nalgonda	355	278
629	Telangana	Narayanpet	118	104
630	Telangana	Nirmal	168	122
631	Telangana	Nizamabad	269	209
632	Telangana	Peddapalli	136	84
633	Telangana	RajannaSircilla	123	99
634	Telangana	Ranga Reddy	463	237
635	Telangana	Sangareddy	187	133
636	Telangana	Siddipet	234	185
637	Telangana	Suryapet	349	295
638	Telangana	Vikarabad	189	154
639	Telangana	Wanaparthi	146	117
640	Telangana	Warangal Rural	209	174
641	Telangana	YadadriBhuvanagiri	107	88
642	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	65	47
643	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	Daman	33	20
644	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	Diu	8	5
645	Tripura	Dhalai	177	159
646	Tripura	Gomati	250	222
647	Tripura	Khowai	219	193
648	Tripura	North Tripura	192	165
649	Tripura	Sepahijala	255	225
650	Tripura	South Tripura	294	265
651	Tripura	Unakoti	166	151
652	Tripura	West Tripura	303	197
653	Uttar Pradesh	Agra	1,927	1,274
654	Uttar Pradesh	Aligarh	1,480	1,027
655	Uttar Pradesh	Ambedkar Nagar	1,308	1,140
656	Uttar Pradesh	Amethi	1,534	1,443
657	Uttar Pradesh	Amroha	1,466	1,155
658	Uttar Pradesh	Auraiya	1,009	782
659	Uttar Pradesh	Ayodhya	1,639	1,477
660	Uttar Pradesh	Azamgarh	2,481	2,238
661	Uttar Pradesh	Baghpat	726	541
662	Uttar Pradesh	Bahraich	1,901	1,680
663	Uttar Pradesh	Ballia	1,817	1,588
664	Uttar Pradesh	Balrampur	1,119	989
665	Uttar Pradesh	Banda	887	685
666	Uttar Pradesh	Barabanki	1,981	1,762
667	Uttar Pradesh	Bareilly	3,191	2,209
668	Uttar Pradesh	Basti	1,847	1,678
669	Uttar Pradesh	Bhadohi	1,028	891

670	Uttar Pradesh	Bijnor	2,547	2,008
671	Uttar Pradesh	Budaun	1,906	1,454
672	Uttar Pradesh	Bulandshahr	2,196	1,643
673	Uttar Pradesh	Chandauli	1,241	1,099
674	Uttar Pradesh	Chitrakoot	616	513
675	Uttar Pradesh	Deoria	2,167	1,847
676	Uttar Pradesh	Etah	1,146	893
677	Uttar Pradesh	Etawah	1,109	801
678	Uttar Pradesh	Farrukhabad	1,335	1,011
679	Uttar Pradesh	Fatehpur	1,165	953
680	Uttar Pradesh	Firozabad	1,684	1,001
681	Uttar Pradesh	Gautam Buddha Nagar	742	250
682	Uttar Pradesh	Ghaziabad	1,254	376
683	Uttar Pradesh	Ghazipur	1,905	1,735
684	Uttar Pradesh	Gonda	2,225	2,027
685	Uttar Pradesh	Gorakhpur	2,479	2,079
686	Uttar Pradesh	Hamirpur	738	537
687	Uttar Pradesh	Hapur	788	607
688	Uttar Pradesh	Hardoi	2,011	1,710
689	Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	1,099	821
690	Uttar Pradesh	Jalaun	952	650
691	Uttar Pradesh	Jaunpur	2,334	2,061
692	Uttar Pradesh	Jhansi	1,082	692
693	Uttar Pradesh	Kannauj	859	644
694	Uttar Pradesh	Kanpur Dehat	1,256	1,064
695	Uttar Pradesh	Kanpur Nagar	1,607	769
696	Uttar Pradesh	Kasganj	962	704
697	Uttar Pradesh	Kaushambi	1,036	901
698	Uttar Pradesh	Kheri	2,190	1,948
699	Uttar Pradesh	Kushi Nagar	2,579	2,252
700	Uttar Pradesh	Lalitpur	747	597
701	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow	2,146	1,047
702	Uttar Pradesh	Maharajganj	2,225	2,004
703	Uttar Pradesh	Mahoba	702	511
704	Uttar Pradesh	Mainpuri	1,305	940
705	Uttar Pradesh	Mathura	1,219	799
706	Uttar Pradesh	Mau	1,258	1,009
707	Uttar Pradesh	Meerut	1,836	1,013
708	Uttar Pradesh	Mirzapur	1,489	1,302
709	Uttar Pradesh	Moradabad	2,574	1,728
710	Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	1,413	1,071
711	Uttar Pradesh	Pilibhit	1,943	1,631
712	Uttar Pradesh	Pratapgarh	2,237	2,038
713	Uttar Pradesh	Prayagraj	3,695	3,281
714	Uttar Pradesh	Rae Bareli	1,630	1,450
715	Uttar Pradesh	Rampur	1,962	1,554
716	Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur	2,659	1,990
717	Uttar Pradesh	Sambhal	1,633	1,282
718	Uttar Pradesh	Sant Kabeer Nagar	1,209	1,082
719	Uttar Pradesh	Shahjahanpur	2,042	1,685
720	Uttar Pradesh	Shamli	732	481
721	Uttar Pradesh	Shravasti	700	645
722	Uttar Pradesh	Siddharth Nagar	1,984	1,825
723	Uttar Pradesh	Sitapur	1,914	1,636
724	Uttar Pradesh	Sonbhadra	1,265	1,111
725	Uttar Pradesh	Sultanpur	1,372	1,291
726	Uttar Pradesh	Unnao	1,754	1,484
727	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi	1,880	1,483
728	Uttarakhand	Almora	710	660
729	Uttarakhand	Bageshwar	303	282
730	Uttarakhand	Chamoli	424	387
731	Uttarakhand	Champawat	286	257
732	Uttarakhand	Dehradun	1,294	641
733	Uttarakhand	Haridwar	1,475	1,058
734	Uttarakhand	Nainital	1,027	673

735	Uttarakhand	PauriGarhwal	668	586
736	Uttarakhand	Pithoragarh	443	368
737	Uttarakhand	Rudra Prayag	255	240
738	Uttarakhand	Tehri Garhwal	472	416
739	Uttarakhand	Udam Singh Nagar	1,613	1,014
740	Uttarakhand	Uttar Kashi	480	425
741	West Bengal	North 24 Parganas	1,865	1,440
742	West Bengal	South 24 Parganas	1,993	1,861
743	West Bengal	Alipurduar	424	419
744	West Bengal	Bankura	1,250	1,173
745	West Bengal	Birbhum	1,421	1,300
746	West Bengal	Coochbehar	1,092	1,027
747	West Bengal	Darjeeling	277	218
748	West Bengal	Dinajpur Dakshin	910	839
749	West Bengal	Dinajpur Uttar	1,043	986
750	West Bengal	Hooghly	1,072	939
751	West Bengal	Howrah	793	698
752	West Bengal	Jalpaiguri	602	543
753	West Bengal	Jhargram	243	234
754	West Bengal	Kalimpong	43	41
755	West Bengal	Kolkata	187	0
756	West Bengal	Maldah	1,655	1,589
757	West Bengal	Medinipur East	1,913	1,799
758	West Bengal	Medinipur West	1,552	1,453
759	West Bengal	Murshidabad	2,300	2,123
760	West Bengal	Nadia	1,861	1,693
761	West Bengal	Paschim Bardhaman	316	230
762	West Bengal	PurbaBardhaman	1,442	1,289
763	West Bengal	Purulia	1,194	1,132
	Total		5,23,208	4,15,228

Source: CSC e-Governance Service India Limited

Annexure-II

The present status of some of the key initiatives undertaken by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology under the Digital India programme is as follows:

- **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 on 26th March 2016. Over 136 crore residents have been enrolled.
- **Common Service Centres (CSCs):** CSCs are offering government and business services in digital mode in rural areas through Village Level Entrepreneurs (VLEs). Over 400 digital services are being offered by these CSCs. As on 31.01.2023, 5,23,208 CSCs are functional (including urban & rural areas) across the country, out of which, 4,15,228 CSCs are functional at Gram Panchayat level.
- **DigiLocker:** DigiLocker is a platform for storage, sharing, verification of documents & certificates. So far, 15.40 crore registered users are registered with DigiLocker, and 562 Crore issued documents are accessible through it. 2,311 Issuers and 166 Requestor organizations have been on-boarded.
- **Unified Mobile Application for New-age Governance (UMANG):** UMANG provides a unified platform to all Indian Citizens to access pan India e-Gov services ranging from Central to Local Government bodies and other citizen centric services. Currently, 1,690 services from 320 Central/State Government departments/agencies of 34 States / Union territory are onboarded on UMANG, along with 20,197 services of Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS) utility services.
- **e-Sign:** e-Sign service facilitates instant signing of forms/documents online by citizens in a legally acceptable form. The services are being leveraged by various applications using OTP based authentication services of UIDAI. Total e-sign issued are 37.99 Crore and over 9.20 Crore e-Sign issued by CDAC.

- **API Setu:** API Setu platform facilitates implementation of Open API Policy and builds open and interoperable digital platform to enable seamless service delivery across government. 2642 APIs provided by various Central and State Government departments are published on the platform with 91 crore transactions made. 384 consumers and 1,154 publishers are onboarded on the platform.
- **MyGov:** It is a citizen engagement platform that is developed to facilitate participatory governance. Presently, over 3 crore users are registered with MyGov, participating in various activities hosted on MyGov platform.
- **MeriPehchaan:** MeriPehchaan/ National Single Sign-On (NSSO) is a user authentication service wherein a single set of credentials can provide access to multiple online applications or services. Currently, 7,519 services with over 19.39 crore transactions are onboarded on the platform.
- **Digital Village:** The Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology launched the 'Digital Village Pilot Project' in October 2018. 700 Gram Panchayats (GPs)/ villages with at least one GP/village per district per State / Union territory are being covered under the project. The digital services being offered are digital health services, education service, financial services, skill development, solar-panel-powered streetlights, including government to citizens services and business to citizen services.
- **National roll-out of e-District Mission Mode Project (MMP):** e-District is an MMP that aims at electronic delivery of identified high volume citizen centric services at the district or sub-district level. Presently 4,671 e-services have been launched in 713 districts across India.
- **Open Government Data Platform:** Open Government Data platform has been developed to facilitate data sharing and promote innovation over non-personal data of Government. OGD India has 6 lakh resources, over 12,965 catalogs contributed by 250 Ministry/Departments, 2,866 visualizations created, 1.82 lakh Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) created, 583 Chief Data Officers. OGD India has been viewed 324.32 lakh times and has been downloaded 95.45 lakh times.
- **Jeevan Pramaan:** Jeevan Pramaan envisages to digitise the whole process of securing the life certificate for pensioner. With this initiative, the pensioner is no more required to physically present himself or herself in front of disbursing agency or the certification authority. Around 704.03 lakh digital life certificates have been processed since 2014.
- **NCOG-GIS applications:** The National Centre of Geo-informatics (NCoG) project is a GIS platform developed for sharing, collaboration, location based analytics and decision support system for Departments. So far, 671 applications across various domains are operational.
- **National Knowledge Network (NKN):** A high-speed data communication network has been established to interconnect institutions of higher learning and research. As on 28.2.2023, 1,779 links to institutions have been commissioned and made operational. 559 NKN links have been connected to NIC district centres across India.
- **Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyaan (PMGDISHA):** PMGDISHA was launched with the aim of ushering in digital literacy in rural India by covering 6 crore rural households (one person per household). So far, 6.80 crore persons have been enrolled, 5.84 crore trained and 4.34 crore certified.
- **Unified Payment Interface (UPI):** Development of convenient modes of digital payments like BHIM-UPI, Aadhaar enabled Payment System, Bharat Bill Payment System, National Electronic Toll Collection system and QR code, enablement of payment acceptance infrastructure, incentives to merchants and users and awareness and capacity building have resulted in acceptance points growing from 0.11 crore in June 2015 to 25.18 crore in December 2022 (RBI data). As a result, India has emerged as the world leader in digital payments penetration, with over 42% share in the world's real time payment transactions by volume (ACI Worldwide data for 2021).
- **FutureSkills Prime:** The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, in collaboration with NASSCOM, has initiated a programme titled FutureSkills PRIME. The programme is aimed at re-skilling/up-skilling of information technology professionals in 10 new/emerging technologies, which include augmented/virtual reality, Internet of Things, big data analytics, artificial intelligence, robotic process automation, additive manufacturing/ 3D printing, cloud computing, social and mobile, cybersecurity and blockchain. Under the programme, as on 15.3.2023 a total of 12,98,384 candidates have signed up on the Futureskills PRIME portal (<https://futureskillsprime.in/>) and 1,29,884 candidates have completed their courses. Under a blended learning programme, C-DAC/NIELIT Resource Centres have trained 9,022 government officials and 989 trainers.
- **Software Industry Promotion**

- **BPO schemes** - The Government had launched the India BPO Promotion Scheme (IBPS) and the North East BPO Promotion Scheme (NEBPS) under the Digital India programme, with the aim of creating employment opportunities and dispersal of the Information Technology and Information Technology Enabled Services (ITES) industry in small cities and towns by incentivizing the setting up of Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) and ITES operations by providing financial support of up to ₹ 1 lakh per seat in the form of viability gap funding towards capital and operational expenditures. Under IBPS and NEBPS, 246 BPO/ITES units have started operations covering 27 States and Union territories and are providing direct employment to over 51,919 persons.
- **National Policy on Software Products-2019:** The policy aims to develop India as the global software product hub, driven by innovation, improved commercialization, sustainable Intellectual Property (IP), promoting technology start-ups and specialized skill sets. The followings major programmes are being implemented under the policy:
 - Innovation Challenge for Development of Indian Video Conferencing Solution (Software Product)
 - ICT Grand Challenge (ICTGC) under National Policy on Software Products
 - Start-up Accelerator Programme of MeitY for Product Innovation, Development and Growth (SAMRIDH)
 - MeitY-NASSCOM Start-up Women Entrepreneur Award for Software Products
 - iTamil Nadu Technology (iTNT) Hub in Chennai
 - Centre of Excellence on Industry 4.0 at Rashtriya ISPAT Nigam Ltd. - Visakhapatnam Steel Plant (RINL-VSP)

List of major schemes of the Department of Telecommunications

1. Under LWE Phase-I scheme, 2,343 mobile towers have been installed in LWE areas which including 96 mobile towers of the State of West Bengal and are providing services. Under LWE Phase-II scheme, 2,542 mobile towers at Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) identified locations are approved across the LWE States.
2. Scheme for providing mobile connectivity in 354 villages of uncovered border areas including Ladakh and Kargil Region, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and other priority areas
3. Comprehensive Telecom Development Plan for mobile connectivity in the North Eastern Region to provide mobile coverage in uncovered villages and along with the National Highways
4. Scheme for providing 4G mobile connectivity in 502 uncovered villages of Aspirational Districts in four States, namely, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan
5. Scheme for provisioning of 4G-based mobile service in 7,287 uncovered villages of Aspirational Districts of five States (Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Maharashtra and Odisha)
6. Laying of submarine optical fibre cable between Chennai and Andaman and Nicobar Islands for providing connectivity to Andaman and Nicobar Islands
7. Submarine optical fibre connectivity between Kochi and Lakshadweep Islands
8. Mobile connectivity to cover uncovered villages and along National Highway (NH 223) in Andaman and Nicobar Islands
9. BharatNet project to create network to connect all the Gram Panchayats and villages with broadband infrastructure
