GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 987
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 26.07.2023

PMGDISHA

987.   SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:
MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:
(a) the total number of rural households covered in the State of Gujarat under the Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyaan (PMGDISHA), district-wise;
(b) the number of rural families of backward/ most backward classes covered under PMGDISHA in the State of Gujarat, district-wise; and
(c) whether any plan has been formulated to take this campaign to every nook and corner of the State of Gujarat and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a): The Government has launched the PMGDISHA Schemein the year 2017with the vision of transforming India into a digitally empowered society and to create a knowledge-based economy by ensuring digital access, digital inclusion, digital empowerment and bridging the digital divide by targeting rural citizens of India towards improvement of their lives.The target of the scheme is to cover 6 crore rural households (one person per household) across the country. As of now, more than 7.03crore candidates have been enrolled, 6.06crore have been trained and 4.51crore candidates have been duly certified under the said scheme.

In the state of Gujarat, as of now, more than 28.97 lakh candidates have been enrolled from the rural households, more than 25.42 lakh candidates have been trained and 18.75 lakh candidates have been duly certified. The district-wise detail of total number of candidates registered, trained and certified in the state of Gujarat is given at **Annexure I**.

(b): Under the PMGDISHA scheme, the community of candidate is captured in one of the following categories: General, Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes (OBC) at the time of candidate registration. The details regarding Backward/ Most backward classes is not captured. The district-wise details of number of rural families of OBC candidates covered under PMGDISHA in the state of Gujarat are given at **Annexure II**.

(c): The implementation of the PMGDISHA scheme has been carried out in all the 14,198 plus Gram Panchayats of Gujarat. Various steps that have been taken to take this campaign to every nook and corner of the State of Gujarat include the following:-

  i.   Scaling up the awareness and promotional activities towards Digital literacy through campaigns, workshops, seminars, digital vans, etc.
  ii. Some rural schools have been engaged for training and examination of candidates in order to cover the rural populous districts.
  iii. Various mechanisms have been adopted to disseminate information regarding the scheme to the intended beneficiaries such as word of mouth publicity, online, print & electronic media including posters, banners, radio, newspaper, television, social media etc.
  iv. *The training content is made available in Gujarati besides Hindi and English languages. The content is made available on both online and offline mode.*
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District-wise registered, trained and certified candidates in the state of Gujarat under PMGDISHA

S. No.	District Name	Registered	Trained	Certified
1	Ahmadabad	84,310	69,778	52,162
2	Amreli	78,118	61,011	41,001
3	Anand	87,792	76,654	54,835
4	Arvalli	1,03,636	91,895	65,608
5	Banas Kantha	1,30,851	1,12,027	82,556
6	Bharuch	69,522	59,884	44,096
7	Bhavnagar	1,46,722	1,32,570	91,831
8	Botad	45,797	40,120	28,436
9	Chhotaudepur	35,081	23,982	10,777
10	Dang	25,447	23,397	13,431
11	Devbhumi Dwarka	71,680	68,422	52,524
12	Dohad	80,026	65,029	43,281
13	Gandhinagar	98,343	87,472	70,276
14	Gir Somnath	1,03,674	88,321	68,137
15	Jamnagar	1,06,842	1,01,990	72,731
16	Junagadh	77,895	68,490	50,227
17	Kachchh	17,440	12,539	8,358
18	Kheda	1,42,275	1,24,495	96,158
19	Mahesana	1,73,521	1,54,012	1,19,166
20	Mahisagar	1,01,237	88,115	59,656
21	Morbi	40,770	35,083	25,529
22	Narmada	46,894	41,494	30,762
23	Navsari	1,09,889	1,00,893	77,416
24	Panch Mahals	1,19,038	1,02,765	71,391
25	Patan	1,33,404	1,23,238	93,691
26	Porbandar	47,377	43,162	37,279
27	Rajkot	57,636	48,017	34,808
28	Sabar Kantha	1,34,503	1,24,832	92,760
29	Surat	1,22,665	1,04,952	77,103
30	Surendranagar	52,564	39,629	25,531
31	Tapi	50,247	43,649	30,783
32	Vadodara	1,11,152	1,01,786	87,692
33	Valsad	91,100	83,164	65,720
	Total	**28,97,448**	**25,42,867**	**18,75,712**

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District-wise registered, trained and certified OBC candidates in the state of Gujarat under PMGDISHA

S. No.	District Name	Registered	Trained	Certified
1	Ahmadabad	44,275	36,492	26,028
2	Amreli	36,568	27,471	19,113
3	Anand	19,390	16,674	12,020
4	Arvalli	64,691	58,280	41,395
5	Banas Kantha	85,536	75,095	57,611
6	Bharuch	7,870	6,520	4,903
7	Bhavnagar	1,03,984	95,196	66,800
8	Botad	30,219	26,298	18,519
9	Chhotaudepur	5,991	4,800	2,338
10	Dang	741	715	488
11	Devbhumi Dwarka	28,645	26,146	19,082
12	Dohad	18,198	15,855	11,566
13	Gandhinagar	65,040	58,020	46,773
14	Gir Somnath	54,128	44,921	32,762
15	Jamnagar	16,906	15,681	11,696
16	Junagadh	46,562	41,087	30,574
17	Kachchh	5,436	4,030	2,767
18	Kheda	32,193	26,625	20,544
19	Mahesana	81,168	73,080	55,983
20	Morbi	22,525	19,540	14,293
21	Mahisagar	43,753	39,532	28,099
22	Narmada	1,438	1,066	829
23	Navsari	26,525	24,308	18,216
24	Panch Mahals	56,987	49,310	34,798
25	Patan	78,434	72,732	55,028
26	Porbandar	30,603	27,765	23,985
27	Rajkot	29,891	25,240	18,826
28	Sabar Kantha	79,392	75,460	56,809
29	Surat	20,593	17,597	12,852
30	Surendranagar	33,628	25,049	16,060
31	Tapi	2,043	1,803	1,421
32	Vadodara	13,880	12,485	10,131
33	Valsad	14,458	13,300	10,505
	Total	**12,01,691**	**10,58,173**	**7,82,814**

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