GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No.*312
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 17.03.2021

IMPLEMENTATION OF PMGDISHA IN RAJASTHAN

*312.   SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

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

(a) the number of individuals educated and certified as digitally literate under Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA) as on date;
(b) whether the implementation of the said scheme has been sluggish in the State of Rajasthan;
(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
(d) the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) to (d):   A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*312 FOR 17-03-2021 REGARDING
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(a): Under the PMGDISHA Scheme, as on 12.03.2021, around 4.54 Crore candidates have been enrolled, more than 3.69 Crore candidates have completed the training out of which 2.71 Crore have been certified by duly authorized 3rd party Assessment Agencies.

(b) to (d): In the state of Rajasthan, as against the stipulated target of 37,12,000, so far a total of around 22,46,741 candidates have been enrolled and 17,73,993 have been trained, out of which 13,00,509 candidates have been certified under the scheme.

Since March 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in widespread impact on the implementation of PMGDISHA scheme across the country including the state of Rajasthan. Due to COVID-19 and ensuing Lockdowns imposed by Central /State Governments, the training centres had to be kept closed for around six months. After the easing of lockdown restrictions in September 2020, the enrolment, training and certification activities have been opened up in a phased manner while following the social distancing norms. Now the Scheme implementation has picked up across the country including in the state of Rajasthan. After the onset of pandemic, a total of 90,14,374 candidates have been registered, 65,34,990 candidates have been trained, out of which 55,85,613 candidates have been duly certified across the country. Out of this, 4,07,541 candidates have been registered, 2,83,577 candidates have been trained and 2,20,993 candidates have been certified in the state of Rajasthan since the onset of pandemic.

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