# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †3416 ANSWERED ON 16.03.2021

### **ONLINE PANCHAYATI RAJ SYSTEM**

#### †3416. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make Panchayati Raj System completely online;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

### ANSWER

# THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c) Yes Sir. The Ministry launched eGramSwaraj, a Work Based Accounting Application for Panchayati Raj Institutions under the e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020. This application encompasses all aspects of Panchayat functioning viz. planning, budgeting, accounting, monitoring, asset management etc, on a single digital platform including online payments. So far 2.47 lakh Gram Panchayats (GPs) for 2020-21 and 1.58 lakh GPs for 2021-22 have prepared and uploaded their Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs). 2.35 lakh GPs have closed their year books for the year 2019-20 and 1.92 lakh GPs have closed month books for 2020-21. Furthermore, under 14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission, 1.03 lakh GPs and 1.43 lakh GPs have carried out online transactions during 2019-20 and 2020-21 respectively. Similarly, 1.08 lakh GPs have carried online transactions under XV Finance Commission in the current year. The Ministry is constantly engaging with the States for the remaining Panchayats to also adopt eGramSWARAJ.

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