GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4469
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 30.03.2022

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION UNDER PMGDISHA

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Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGYbe pleased to state:

(a)   the details of the participants that have been trained and certified under the Pradhan MantriGramin Digital SakshartaAbhiyan (PMGDISHA) as of February 2022, State-wise including district level details for the State of Rajasthan;

(b)   the details of the certifications that have been issued to women and girl child under the scheme, State-wise including district level details for the State of Rajasthan;

(c)   whether the Government looks into any potential scope of employment for certified individuals under the aforesaid scheme and if so, the details thereof and if not, whether any future collaborations with private sector parties is under consideration;

(d)   whether the Government will launch phase two of PMGDISHA after March 2022 and if so, whether it will be based on needs and requirements of the mapping done during the first phase; and

(e)   whether the Government is planning to merge the aforesaid scheme with educational institutions to ensure their online continuity even after the pandemic for the benefit of students from remote and rural areas and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): Skill development and creating skilled talent is an important mission to ensure that the rapidly growing Digital Economy of India is provided with the trained and skilled manpower that is required. To further aid digital adaption, the Ministry has focused on digital literacy for citizens across the country, especially in rural areas. In line with this, the Pradhan MantriGramin Digital SakshartaAbhiyan (PMGDISHA) was approved by Union Cabinet in February 2017 to usher in digital literacy in rural India to cover 6 crore rural households (one person per household).

Under the PMGDISHA Scheme, as of 28.02.2022, around 5.66 crore candidates have been enrolled. Around 4.81 crore candidates have completed the training out of which more than 3.54 crore candidates have been certified.

In the state of Rajasthan, as of 28.02.2022, around 30.95 Lakh candidates have been enrolled. Around 26 Lakh candidates have completed the training out of which more than 18.77 Lakh candidates have been certified. The state-wise status including the district-wise details of Rajasthan state, is given as **Annexure-I& II** respectively.

(b): Under the PMGDISHA Scheme as of 28.02.2022, around 1.96 crore women/girls have been certified out of which 9.37 lakh women/girls were certified in the state of Rajasthan. The state-wise status of the certification of women/girls under the PMGDISHA Scheme, including district-level details for the State of Rajasthan, is given at **Annexure-III & IV** respectively.

(c): The main objective of the PMGDISHAScheme is to impart digital literacy skills to the rural population. A beneficiary may get an opportunity for a job as a result of the digital literacy training however employment generation is not included as an objective of the scheme.

(d): The current PMGDISHA Scheme is under implementation till 31-03-2023 to achieve the envisaged targets. Launch of phase two of the scheme is not being considered at this stage.

(e): The PMGDISHA Scheme covers rural population in the age group of 14-60 years. However, special emphasis is given to enrolling digitally illiterate school students under the scheme. After undergoing the training program, such beneficiaries are empowered to use digital devices for their education in online as well as offline mode. In addition, rural schools are also engaged in training and examination wherever required.

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The state-wise PMGDISHAstatusas of 28.02.2022:

Sl. No.	State/ UT	Registered	Trained	Certified
1	Andaman and Nicobar Isl.	329	122	55
2	Andhra Pradesh	13,82,478	10,83,823	7,47,344
3	Arunachal Pradesh	3,502	1,286	880
4	Assam	25,96,147	22,55,069	17,98,675
5	Bihar	60,07,166	52,50,971	37,86,498
6	Chhattisgarh	25,02,124	21,55,093	16,29,701
7	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	2,164	854	484
8	Daman and Diu	1,721	1,042	649
9	Delhi	2,570	1,941	1,477
10	Goa	7,106	4,756	3,131
11	Gujarat	24,82,388	21,60,736	15,74,724
12	Haryana	17,71,206	14,94,546	11,15,774
13	Himachal Pradesh	3,83,510	2,84,704	2,02,452
14	Jammu and Kashmir	5,12,650	3,84,009	2,72,968
15	Jharkhand	21,92,212	17,51,155	12,60,855
16	Karnataka	10,51,843	8,00,686	5,18,476
17	Kerala	51,514	24,934	19,676
18	Ladakh	21,254	18,991	14,158
19	Lakshadweep	109	35	-
20	Madhya Pradesh	47,84,387	41,93,423	30,63,219
21	Maharashtra	38,93,241	32,27,219	22,81,548
22	Manipur	10,761	6,014	3,762
23	Meghalaya	1,21,897	85,000	55,902
24	Mizoram	10,768	7,329	4,100
25	Nagaland	5,721	4,077	2,899
26	Odisha	27,92,713	23,02,354	17,31,117
27	Puducherry	14,510	10,072	6,372
28	Punjab	15,19,973	13,03,614	9,98,094
29	Rajasthan	30,95,413	26,00,913	18,77,344
30	Sikkim	3,852	1,577	719
31	Tamil Nadu	11,20,424	8,89,153	6,27,984
32	Telangana	7,68,885	6,01,040	4,11,862
33	Tripura	3,12,524	2,48,914	1,91,263
34	Uttar Pradesh	1,46,11,076	1,28,86,329	96,32,099
35	Uttarakhand	6,23,479	5,18,379	3,81,645
36	West Bengal	20,15,306	16,22,871	12,36,596

	Total	5,66,76,923	4,81,83,031	3,54,54,502

*Chandigarh and Delhi are in urban agglomeration, hence not covered under the scheme.

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Annexure-II

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The district wise status as of 28.02.2022of Rajasthan State:

Sl. No.	District Name	Registered	Trained	Certified
1	Ajmer	92,185	80,058	61,312
2	Alwar	1,56,812	1,32,922	97,774
3	Banswara	1,03,881	89,140	56,427
4	Baran	1,06,748	90,291	64,354
5	Barmer	75,233	62,193	41,776
6	Bharatpur	1,19,428	1,01,042	74,472
7	Bhilwara	1,15,129	93,351	68,389
8	Bikaner	86,724	68,049	48,900
9	Bundi	82,800	72,116	53,404
10	Chittorgarh	58,146	44,474	31,518
11	Churu	76,917	58,443	44,090
12	Dausa	90,813	73,939	52,892
13	Dholpur	57,220	42,398	32,871
14	Dungarpur	1,18,107	1,10,507	78,017
15	Ganganagar	1,03,219	83,952	63,236
16	Hanumangarh	1,13,872	98,465	71,138
17	Jaipur	1,80,707	1,52,796	1,15,498
18	Jaisalmer	34,855	30,868	22,124
19	Jalore	82,132	67,626	40,747
20	Jhalawar	1,10,635	97,639	71,623
21	Jhunjhunu	84,118	69,296	54,620
22	Jodhpur	93,918	73,185	50,980
23	Karauli	1,04,349	93,158	66,662
24	Kota	77,204	67,592	49,966
25	Nagaur	1,17,319	1,00,113	73,837

26	Pali	90,549	75,774	54,613
27	Pratapgarh	77,169	69,983	53,219
28	Rajsamand	60,513	49,306	33,716
29	SawaiMadhopur	43,960	34,638	25,353
30	Sikar	1,39,595	1,19,217	89,148
31	Sirohi	50,667	41,708	27,590
32	Tonk	73,164	52,311	35,545
33	Udaipur	1,17,325	1,04,363	71,533
	Total	**30,95,413**	**26,00,913**	**18,77,344**

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