

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 966
ANSWERED ON 08.02.2022

E-PANCHAYAT FACILITY

†966. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:
SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be please to state :

- (a) whether the Government is implementing e-panchayat facility in the country for improvement in functioning of Panchayats and if so, the present status of progress made in regard to e-panchayats in the country;
- (b) the number of Panchayats digitalized and the number of Panchayats yet to be digitalized in the country, particularly in the State of Maharashtra; and
- (c) the time limit set for digitalization of all Panchayats in the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ
(SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL)

(a) Under Digital India Programme, Ministry is implementing e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project (MMP) with the aim to transform the functioning of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs). Under e-Panchayat MMP, Ministry of Panchayati Raj launched eGramSwaraj, a simplified work-based accounting application to addresses various aspects of Panchayat functioning viz. planning, budgeting, accounting and online payments through eGramSwaraj-PFMS Interface for expenses incurred. As on 2 February 2022, 2.55 lakh Gram Panchayat (GP), 5390 Block Panchayat and 481 Zilla Panchayats have prepared and uploaded their Development Plans for 2021-22 on eGramSwaraj application. Further, 2.38 lakh GPs have adopted eGramSwaraj for the purpose of accounting in the current year 2021-22 out of which 2.19 lakh GPs have taken necessary steps for carrying out payments through Public Finance Management System (PFMS). Also, 1.81 lakh GPs have made online payments. State-wise breakup is given at **Annexure**.

(b) Panchayats need to use internet services for various activities. BharatNet project is being implemented in a phased manner by Department of Telecommunications to provide broadband connectivity to all the Gram Panchayats and equivalent in the country. As on 17.01.2022, total 1,70,136 GPs have been made Service Ready under the BharatNet project in

the country. The scope of BharatNet on 30.06.2021 has been extended to all inhabited villages beyond GPs in the country. In Maharashtra, 21,785 GPs have been made Service Ready against 28,237 GPs planned, under the BharatNet project.

(c) The targeted date for the completion of the BharatNet project to provide service-ready broadband connection to all the Gram Panchayats and traditional local bodies in the country is August 2023.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha UnStarred Question No. 966 answered on 08.02.2022 regarding 'E-Panchayat Facility'.

e-Gram SWARAJ- State wise Usage (2021-22)

#	State Name	PFMS Scheme Creation	Total Number of Village Panchayats & Equivalent	Gram Panchayat Development Plans Uploaded	Gram Panchayats Ported	Total Number of Block Panchayats & Equivalent	Block Panchayats Plan uploaded	Total Number of Zilla Panchayats & Equivalent	Zilla Panchayats Plan uploaded	Gram Panchayat on onboard	Gram Panchayat With Online Payment
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	Y	13371	13351	13073	660	660	13	13	0	0
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	Y	2108	1577	2034	0	0	25	0	3	0
3	ASSAM	Y	2666	2119	2201	192	32	26	7	2174	855
4	BIHAR	Y	8135	8377	8175	534	533	38	37	8174	7863
5	CHHATTISGARH	Y	11658	11662	11657	146	146	27	26	11613	10836
6	GOA	Y	191	191	191	0	0	2	1	177	26
7	GUJARAT	Y	14270	14042	14225	248	8	33	3	14210	11809
8	HARYANA	Y	6225	6154	6224	142	35	22	8	5861	3276
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	Y	3615	3200	3611	81	76	12	11	3540	517
10	JAMMU AND KASHMIR		4291	2016	0	275	2	20	0	0	0

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11	JHARKHAND	Y	4351	4348	4352	263	263	24	24	4349	4345
12	KARNATAKA	Y	5965	4865	5993	229	159	31	18	5994	5899
13	KERALA	Y	941	941	941	152	152	14	14	941	606
14	LADAKH		193	193	0	31	0	2	0	0	0
15	MADHYA PRADESH	Y	22741	22695	22778	313	309	51	51	22689	21775
16	MAHARASHTRA	Y	27898	27875	27403	351	72	34	4	26678	15381
17	MANIPUR	Y	3818	2631	161	0	0	6	6	161	152
18	MEGHALAYA	Y	9015	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	MIZORAM	Y	834	834	834	0	0	0	0	834	828
20	NAGALAND	Y	1288	1195	662	0	0	0	0	5	0
21	ODISHA	Y	6798	6724	6798	314	313	30	30	6792	6635
22	PUNJAB	Y	13248	13157	13252	151	143	22	20	12882	9879
23	RAJASTHAN	Y	11307	11281	11234	352	331	33	25	10061	7774
24	SIKKIM	Y	185	161	185	0	0	4	4	172	102
25	TAMIL NADU	Y	12525	12523	12496	388	381	37	30	11743	5874
26	TELANGANA	Y	12769	12769	1	540	532	32	31	0	0

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27	TRIPURA	Y	1219	1178	1178	35	75	8	9	1178	1177
28	UTTARAKHAND	Y	7791	7791	7789	95	95	13	13	7787	5846
29	UTTAR PRADESH	Y	58189	58224	58301	826	740	75	75	58354	57052
30	WEST BENGAL	Y	3341	3228	3229	344	333	22	21	3222	3170
Total			270946	255302	238978	6662	5390	656	481	219594	181677
