GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3928 ANSWERED ON 25.03.2025

DIGITALISATION OF GRAM PANCHAYATS

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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to State:

- (a) whether Government has completed the implementation of Digitalisation of Gram Panchayats and Digital India Programme, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the number of Panchayats in the country that have been digitized under the e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project as on 31 January, 2025, State-wise;
- (c) the total number of Gram Panchayats in the country provided with computers and internet connection and Gram Panchayats not having computer and internet connection in the country, State-wise;
- (d) whether there is a timeline for digitizing the remaining Panchayats in the country; and
- (e) the total amount allocated, disbursed and spent till 31 January, 2025 for the implementation of e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project, State-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ

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- (a) & (b) Under the Digital India Programme, the Ministry of Panchayati Raj is implementing the e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project (MMP) across all States and Union Territories (UTs) of the country. This initiative aims to revamp the functioning of Panchayats, making them more transparent, accountable, and effective. As part of this initiative, the Ministry has launched eGramSwaraj, an online planning and accounting application designed to simplify Panchayat activities such as planning, accounting, and budgeting. The Ministry has also integrated eGramSwaraj with the Public Financial Management System (PFMS) for Gram Panchayats (GPs) to make real time payments to vendors/service providers. Panchayats use the eGramSwaraj portal to prepare and upload their Annual Panchayat Development Plans. The progress made by States under eGramSwaraj is provided in **Annexure-I**.
- (c) To attain the vision of Digital India, the BharatNet project is being implemented by Department of Telecommunications (DoT) in a phased manner to provide broadband connectivity to all Gram Panchayats in the country. So far, out of a total of 2.68 lakh Gram

Panchayats/ Traditional Local Bodies (TLBs), 2.18 lakh GPs/TLBs have been made service-ready for providing high-speed internet services under the BharatNet project. To further improve digital connectivity, the Amended BharatNetProgramme was approved by the Cabinet on 04.08.2023 for the upgradation of the existing network of BharatNet Phase-I and Phase-II and the creation of a network in the remaining Gram Panchayats.

The number of Gram Panchayats (GPs) with computers, as reported by States in their Annual Action Plan, and the number of service-ready points in GPs under the BharatNet Project of the Department of Telecommunications may be seen in **Annexure-II**. The data on service-ready GPs is sourced from the BharatNet UNMS Dashboard.

- (d) All States are striving to implement the e-Panchayat MMP based on the resources available to them. However, due to varying levels of preparedness among Panchayats nationwide, the progress of implementation differs across States. Furthermore, according to the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), the BharatNet project is scheduled for completion by March 2027.
- (e) Under the e-Panchayat MMP, no direct financial assistance is provided to States/UTs for the implementation of e-governance in the Panchayats. Instead, funds are being provided to the National Informatics Center Services Inc. (NICSI) for central-level support and maintenance of e-Panchayat applications. For the current financial year, 2024-25, an amount of Rs. 13.72 crore was allocated to NICSI, out of which Rs. 9.75 crore had been released as of 31.01.2025.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3928 answered on 25.03.2025 regarding 'Digitalisation of Gram Panchayats' Status of adoption of eGramSwaraj at Gram Panchayat level as on 31.01.25

Annexure-I

S. No	State Name	To tal N u m be r of Vi lla ge Pa nc ha ya ts & E qu iv al en t	Vil lag e Pa nc ha ya t on bo ar d	Villa ge Panc haya ts & Equi valen t With Onli ne Pay ment	Tota I Nu mbe r of Bloc k Pan chay ats & Equi vale nt	BI oc k Pa nc ha ya t on bo ar d	Bloc k Pan cha yats Wit h Onli ne Pay men t	Total Numb er of Zila Panch ayats & Equiv alent	Zila Pan cha yat onb oar d	Zila Panchay ats With Online Payment
1	ANDH RA PRAD ESH	133 28	132 96	12970	660	660	642	13	13	13
2	ARUN ACHA L PRAD ESH	210	210 6	222	0	0	0	27	25	8
3	ASSA M	266 2	219 7	2176	191	191	189	30	29	27
4	BIHA R	805 4	805 4	8045	534	534	530	38	38	38
5	CHHA TTISG ARH	115 96	115 94	11516	146	146	146	27	27	27
6	GOA	191	190	93	0	0	0	2	2	2
7	GUJA RAT	146 56	145 99	13890	248	248	248	33	33	33

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8	HARY ANA	622	622	5914	143	143	134	22	22	22
9	HIMA	361	361	3540	81	81	81	12	12	12
	CHAL	5	4							
	PRAD									
	ESH									
10	JHAR	434	434	4329	264	264	262	24	24	24
	KHAN	5	5							
	D									
11	KARN	595	595	5937	238	232	126	31	31	28
	ATAK	4	4							
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12	KERA	941	941	941	152	152	152	14	14	14
	LA									
13	MAD	230	230	22980	313	313	310	52	52	52
	HYA	11	09							
	PRAD									
	ESH									
14	MAH	279	278	26737	351	351	307	34	34	34
	ARAS	17	94							
	HTRA									
15	MANI	318	161	123	0	0	0	12	6	4
	PUR	0								
16	MEG	681	0	0	2241	0	0	3	3	0
	HALA	7								
	YA				_	_		_	_	_
17	MIZO	842	842	832	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.0	RAM	4.5.0								
18	NAGA	128	186	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	LAND	9						• •		
19	ODIS	679	679	6793	314	314	314	30	30	30
20	HA	4	4	0555	1.50	1.7.1	11.4		22	10
20	PUNJ	132	132	9775	152	151	114	22	22	19
21	AB	37	22	10027	261	252	251	22	22	22
21	RAJA	112	112	10837	361	353	351	33	33	33
	STHA N	11	07							
22		199	199	195	0	0	0	6	6	6
22	SIKKI M	199	199	193	U	0	0	O	0	6
23	TAMI	125	125	12519	388	388	388	36	36	36
23	L	25	25	14319	300	500	300	30		30
	NADU	23	23							
24	TELA	129	127	12636	572	540	508	32	32	32
	NGAN	91	68	12030	512	5-10	200	52		32
	A	71	00							
25	TRIPU	119	118	1174	75	75	75	9	9	9
	RA	4	5	11/1	, ,	, 5	, 5			
26	UTTA	779	779	7743	95	95	95	13	13	13
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	RAKH	5	4							
27	UTTA	576	576	57609	826	826	818	75	75	75
	R	91	91							
	PRAD									
	ESH									
28	WEST	333	333	3338	345	345	345	22	21	21
	BENG	9	9							
	AL									
	Total	263	251	24286	8690	640	6135	652	642	612
		708	928	4		2				

Annexure-II

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3928 answered on 25.03.2025 regarding 'Digitalisation of Gram Panchayats'.

State-wise Status of Gram Panchayats with Computers and Internet Connections

	Status of Gram					
Sl. No	Name of the	Total GPs/	GPs with		Service Ready	
	States/UTs	TLBs (as per	Computers	Computers	Points in	
		LGD)			GPs/TLBs for	
1	A 1 O	70	70		internet*	
1	Andaman &	70	70	0	81	
2	Nicobar	12227	0556	2771	12072	
2	Andhra Pradesh	13327	9556	3771	12972	
3	Arunachal	2108	972	1136	1145	
3	Pradesh	2106	912	1130	1143	
4	Assam	2662	1510	1152	1634	
5	Bihar	8054	8053	1132	8860	
6		11648		5896		
	Chhattisgarh		5752		_	
7	Goa	191	191	0	Ů	
8	Gujarat	14656	14546	110		
9	Haryana	6223	1725	4498		
10	Himachal Pradesh*	3615	3615	0	416	
11	Jammu and Kashmir	4291	4291	0	1115	
12	Jharkhand	4345	3312	1033	4649	
13	Karnataka	5953	5953	0		
14	Kerala	941	941	0		
15	Ladakh	193	129	64		
16	Lakshadweep	10	0	10		
17	Madhya	23011	22722	289		
1 /	Pradesh	23011	22122	20)	10100	
18	Maharashtra	27951	27006	945	24778	
19	Manipur	3812	161	3651	1485	
20	Meghalaya	6832	4729	2103	-	
21	Mizoram	843	261	582		
22	Nagaland	1315	595	720		
23	Odisha	6794	6794	0		
24	Puducherry	108	0/94	108	-	
25			0	13238	-	
	Punjab	13238				
26	Rajasthan	11218	11208	10		
27	Sikkim	199	149	50		
28	Tamil Nadu	12525	10100	2425		
29	Telangana	12771	4436	8335		
30	The Dadra And Nagar		42	0	41	

	Haveli And				
	Daman And				
	Diu				
31	Tripura	1192	701	491	772
32	Uttar Pradesh	57702	57702	0	47451
33	Uttarakhand	7795	2805	4990	2021
34	West Bengal	3339	3339	0	2958
Т	otal	268974	213366	55608	218347

^{*}The data is sourced from the BharatNet UNMS Dashboard, and some Gram Panchayats may have multiple service-ready points.
