

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made so far in achieving the objectives envisaged under the "Digital India" campaign;
- (b) the number of companies within the country as well as abroad which have entered into an agreement with the Government under the "Digital India" campaign;
- (c) the investment made and the employment likely to generated as a result thereof;
- (d) the details of funds disbursed under the project in the current fiscal till January, 2016; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure coordination among different agencies involved in this scheme?

Answer

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED
QUESTION NO *9 FOR 24-02-2016 REGARDING DIGITAL INDIA CAMPAIGN

(a): Digital India is a programme to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy. It is an Umbrella Programme that covers multiple Government Ministries and Departments. Digital India is to be coordinated by DeitY and implemented by the entire Government.

The programme aims at pulling together many existing schemes. The schemes will be restructured and re-focused and will be implemented in a synchronized manner.

Vision of Digital India: The Vision of Digital India is centred on three key areas:

1. Digital Infrastructure as a Utility to Every Citizen
2. Governance and services on Demand
3. Digital Empowerment of Citizens

Pillars of Digital India: There are nine pillars of growth areas under the Digital India programme. Each of these areas is a complex programme in itself and cuts across multiple Ministries and Departments. The progress made so far is as follows:

Pillar 1: Broadband Highways

â€¢ Under National Optical Fibre Network (NOFN) project, optical fibre has reached to 40,333 Gram Panchayats and optical fiber cable has been laid for 94,689 kms.

Pillar 2: Universal Access to Mobile Connectivity

â€¢ Rural tele-density has reached to more than 49%.

â€¢ Spectrum Sharing and Trading has been approved and guidelines issued on 24.09.2015 and 12.10.2015.

Pillar 3: Public Internet Access Programme

â€¢ 1,03,631 Common Services Centres have been set up under CSC 2.0 scheme in Gram Panchayats.

â€¢ 15,047 Post Offices for Core Banking Solution (CBS) and 25,406 Post Offices for Core Insurance Solution (CIS) have been migrated. ATM services are installed in 326 Post Offices.

Pillar 4: E-Governance : Reforming government through Technology

â€¢ Data Digitization and Aadhaar seeding initiated in various depts.

â€¢ Number of user Departments for e-Office is 129.

Pillar 5: eKranti- Electronic delivery of services

â€¢ The portfolio of Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) has been increased from 31 MMPs to 44 MMPs under e-Kranti. 27 MMPs have been implemented.

â€¢ 222 out of 252 services are live.

â€¢ The MMPs of e-Kranti have delivered more than 675 crore e-Transactions from 01st Jan 2015 to 31st Dec 2015.

Pillar 6: Information for All

â€¢ MyGov platform, a medium to seek ideas/ suggestions from Citizen, has been implemented. Till date, 43 Groups, 486 discussion themes, 393 tasks and 165 blogs have been published on MyGov platform.

â€¢ Weekly newsletters are being sent to more than 18.5 lakh registered users.

â€¢ Open Government Data platform has been implemented which exposes government data to citizens. Currently 21,207 datasets from 100 Departments are available and 21.8 lakhs downloaded. 63,239 users have registered

Pillar 7: Electronics Manufacturing - Target NET ZERO Imports

â€¢ 175 Investment proposals under Modified Specific Incentive Programmes (MSIPs) having a proposed investment of Rs. 1.18 lakh crores have been so far received.

â€¢ 7 Greenfield Electronics Manufacturing Clusters (EMCs) and 1 Common Facility Centre (CFC) in Brownfield have been approved. In principle approval has been given to 17 Greenfield and 3 CFCs in Brownfield EMCs.

â€¢ Electronic Development Fund has been launched and four daughter funds involving Rs. 169.00 crore have been approved.

Pillar 8: IT for Jobs

â€¢ 48,300 seats have been approved under India BPO scheme and over 5000 seats have been approved for BPOs in North East.

â€¢ 5.5 lakh students have been trained for IT sector jobs by National Institute for Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT).

â€¢ Telecom Sector Skill Council (TSSC) has empanelled 157 training partners across the country and trained 1.21 lakh persons so far in Telecom Training courses.

â€¢ Around 33.74 lakh candidates have been enrolled for training, 24.43 lakh candidates have been trained and more than 6.35 lakh candidates have been certified so far under Digital Literacy Program (Digital Saksharta Abhiyan)

Pillar 9: Early Harvest Programme

â€¢ Secure email within government project has been implemented for 10 lakh employees in Phase I.

â€¢ Wi-fi services have been commenced in 11 public wi-fi hotspots.

â€¢ SMS based weather information and disaster alerts have been made operational.

â€¢ Over 10.96 lakh residents have created their accounts on Digital Locker. More than 17.8 lakh documents have been uploaded on it.

â€¢ More than 5.25 lakh Life Certificates have been successfully processed through Jeevan Pramaan portal.

â€¢ Online Registration System (ORS) has been made operational in 26 hospitals and 1.49 lakh online appointments have been provided so far.

â€¢ 2.6 lakh documents have been digitized through Digitize India platform.

â€¢ Since 15th August 2014, over 54 crore mailers have been sent on 163 campaigns through SAMPARK (IT platform for messages).

â€¢ The Government e-Greetings have been sent to more than 10 lakh citizens directly from the portal. The portal has more over 438 cards.

â€¢ Biometric Attendance has been implemented in 622 Central Government offices covering 1.77 lakh employees and 20 States/UTs involving 3 lakh employees.

â€¢ On the National Portal for Lost & Found children (Khoja-Paya), 4362 users have registered, 2507 are being sighted and 718 missing children have been reported.

â€¢ e-Basta, an electronic platform of e-Books for schools, have been made operational. Till date, 1250 e-Contents & 37 e-Basta (collection of books) have been made available and 798 e-Basta & 7732 e-Contents have been downloaded.

â€¢ The National Scholarships Portal, a one stop solution for end to end scholarship process, have been implemented. 21 scholarship schemes from 9 Ministries / Departments have been registered and more than 1 crore applications submitted.

(b): Ministry of Communication and Information Technology has executed a Joint Declaration of Intent with Department of State of the Government of USA on cooperation in the field of Information & Communications Technology and Electronics. Tripartite MOUs between (i) Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Indian Institute of Science Bangalore & Lomonosov Moscow State University (MSU) on Collaboration for Education in High Performance Computing and (ii) C-DAC, Open Joint Stock Company "GLONASS" Russia & GLONASS Union Russia on Cooperation for Development of Technologies and application based on Navigational Satellites were also signed.

(c): An investment of Rs. 4.5 lakh crore has been committed by various companies on July 1, 2015 for Digital India programme.

â€¢ Under Modified Specific Incentive Programmes (MSIPs), investments of nearly Rs. 1.18 lakh crores have been received, which would generate employment to nearly 1.62 lakh people.

â€¢ Under the Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC) scheme proposals with a total outlay of Rs. 8,313 crore have been received, which would generate employment opportunities to about 8.29 lakh persons.

â€¢ India BPO Promotion Scheme (IBPS) with an outlay of about Rs.493 crore would generate employment opportunities for about 1.45 lakh persons.

(d): Digital India is being implemented and funded by various Ministries/Departments in Government of India. The Ministry of Communications and Information Technology has made an expenditure of Rs. 3036.77 crore in current fiscal till 31st January 2016 for various projects/schemes under the Digital India.

(e): The Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY) is coordinating department for the implementation of Digital India. The monitoring of the Digital India programme has been envisaged through three committees namely,

(i) Monitoring Committee on Digital India under the Chairmanship of Prime Minister

(ii) Digital India Advisory Group under the Chairmanship of Minister of Communications and Information Technology

(iii) Apex Committee on Digital India under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary
