GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

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E GOVERANCE AT GRASSROOT LEVEL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared an outline for the introduction of e-governance of services in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount granted for this purpose during each year of the current Five Year Plan;
- (c) the number of services kept under e-governance especially at grassroot/panchayat level;
- (d) the likely benefits to the rural people from the said scheme; and
- (e) the time by which e-governance facilities are likely to be implemented across the country including rural areas?

Answer

MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a): Yes Sir.

(b): Government of India is implementing the "Digital India" programme with a vision to transform India into a digitally empowered society and a knowledge economy. Under the Digital India programme, Government has proposed to implement e-Kranti which envisages provisioning of various e-governance services in the country. The focus of the e- Kranti plan is to transform the e-Governance services by expanding the portfolio of Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) in e-Governance under various Government Departments, undertaking Government Process Reengineering (GPR), Cloud Deployment, Mobile enablement and work flow automation, etc.

The funds earmarked for the purpose for e-governance services for FY 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 of the current Five Year plan (2012-17) are as below:

- (c): Under the National e-Governance Plan, it has been planned to provide 252 services under 31 Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) covering various sectors. Out of these, 222 services have been made operational. 1,37,498 Common Services Centres (CSCs) have been set up in various States/ UTs in rural areas for delivering various e-Governance services.
- (d): The services under e-Governance are being made available to all the citizens in rural areas through Common Services Centres (CSCs). Currently, 1,37,498 CSCs are operational across the entire country. The likely benefits of the scheme are availability of online services at substantially reduced cost and savings in time for the people in rural areas in availing these services.
- (e): The e-Kranti component under the Digital India programme envisages expansion of the portfolio of Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) in e-Governance to cover more departments and more services. The various MMPs under e-Kranti have their own individual plan and schedule of implementation by the concerned Ministries and Departments.