GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1662
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2009
COMPUTERISATION PROGRAMME OF GRAM PANCHAYATS
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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of all Gram Panchayats which have been computerized/yet to be computerized till date, State-wise;
- (b) whether any Expert Group has been constituted to explore and examine the scope of computerization of Gram Panchayats;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ(Dr. C. P. JOSHI)

- (a): A list showing the State-wise number of Gram Panchayats which have been provided with computers as per available information is at Annexure-I.
- (b) to (d): Yes, Sir. Keeping in view the strategic importance of computerization at the Gram Panchayat level, the Ministry of Panchayati Raj had constituted an Expert Group in June 2007 to assess the current and future Information Technology (IT) programmes of the Ministry, to recommend on the most cost-effective technologies for reaching IT to the Gram Panchayats, the use of IT for effectively building capacities of Panchayati Raj Institutions through distance learning; and the cost implications of the recommendations. The Expert Group submitted its Report on 17.01.2008.

Annexure- 1

Annexure refer to in part (a) replies of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1662 to be answered on 30.11.2009.

Information available with Ministry of Panchayati Raj as on date regarding Computers provided at Village Panchayat level

- S.No. Name of State/UT Total number of village Panchayats Number of village Panchayats where in the State/UT some sort of computing facility is available.
- 1. Andaman & Nicobar Islands 67 67
- 2. Arunachal Pradesh 1779 Nil
- 3. Assam 2203 Nil
- 4. Bihar 8463 4569
- 5. Chhatisgarh 9768 -

6. Daman & Diu 14 14

7. Delhi - -

8. Goa 189 189

9. Haryana 6155 Nil

10. Karnataka 5628 5628

11. Kerala 999 969

12. Lakshadweep 10 10

13. Madhya Pradesh 23040 Nil.

14. Orissa 6234 150

15. Rajasthan 9184 1114

16. Sikkim 163 157

17. Tamil Nadu 12618 12618

18. Tripura 1040 100

19. Uttar Pradesh 51976 Nil