



ABSTRACT

Information Technology Department – Imparting Information Technology training to 26.79 lakh digitally illiterate Rural Public in the State of Tamil Nadu at an estimated cost of Rs.99,65,88,000/- under Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA) scheme of Government of India - Administrative approval - Orders - Issued.

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Read:

From the Commissioner of e-Governance and Chief Executive Officer, Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency, Letter.No.1084/B2/TNeGA/2017,dated 27.09.2017.

ORDER:

During the Budget Session 2017-2018, Hon'ble Minister for IT among other things has made the following announcement on the floor of Legislative Assembly :-

“கிராமப்புற மக்களையும் தகவல் தொழில்நுட்பம் மற்றும் அது தொடர்பான சாதனங்களைப் பயன்படுத்தச் செய்வதன் மூலமே டிஜிட்டல் இடைவெளியை அகற்றிட இயலும் என்பதை நன்கு உணர்ந்துள்ள தமிழக அரசு, கணினிக் கல்வியறிவற்ற கிராமப்புற மக்களுக்கு கணினிக் கல்வியறிவு அளிக்கும் திட்டத்தைச் செயல்படுத்தவுள்ளது. மத்திய அரசின் பிரதம மந்திரி கிராமப்புற மக்களுக்கான கணினிப் பயிற்சித் திட்டத்தின் (Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan-PMGDISHA) ஓர் அங்கமாக செயல்படுத்தப்படவுள்ள இத்திட்டம், இரண்டு ஆண்டுகளில் முழுமையாக நிறைவேற்றப்படும். இத்திட்டத்தின் மூலம் 26.79 இலட்சம் கிராமப்புற மக்கள் பயன்பெறுவர்.

தாழ்த்தப்பட்டோர் (SC) / பழங்குடியினர் (ST) வறுமைக் கோட்டிற்கு கீழ் உள்ளோர் (BPL), பெண்கள், மாற்றுத் திறனாளிகள் மற்றும் சிறுபான்மையினர் போன்ற சமுதாயத்தில் நலிவடைந்த பிரிவினர் உட்பட அனைத்து கிராமப்புற மக்களையும் இலக்காகக் கொண்டு செயல்படுத்தப்படவுள்ள இத்திட்டத்தில் கணினி, கையடக்கக் கணினி மற்றும் திறன்பேசி உள்ளிட்ட மின்னணு சாதனங்களை இயக்குதல், இணையதள உபயோகம், மின்னஞ்சல் பயன்பாடு, அரசு சேவைகளை அணுகிப் பெறுதல், தகவல் தேடல், மின்னணுப்

பண்ப்பரிவர்த்தனை முறை குறித்த பயிற்சிகள் கிராமப்புற மக்களுக்கு வழங்கப்படும். இதன் மூலம் தேசத்தை உருவாக்கும் பெரும்பணியில் அவர்களைத் தீவிரமாக பங்கேற்கச் செய்திட இயலும்.

மாவட்ட மின்ஆளுமை சங்கங்கள் (District e-Governance Societies), ஊரக உள்ளாட்சி அமைப்புகள் மற்றும் பள்ளிகளின் ஒத்துழைப்புடன் ஒவ்வொரு கிராமத்திலிருந்தும் ஒரு குடும்பத்திற்கு ஓர் உறுப்பினர். என்ற வீதத்தில் 200 - 300 பயனாளர்கள் தேர்ந்தெடுக்கப்பட்டு, அவர்களுக்கு நபர் ஒன்றுக்கு ரூ.300/- என்ற செலவினத்தில் பயிற்சி அளிக்கப்படும். இத்திட்டம் ரூ.80 கோடியே 37 இலட்சம் மதிப்பீட்டில் தமிழ்நாடு மின்னாளுமை முகமை மூலம் செயல்படுத்தப்படும்”.

2. Accordingly, in the letter read above, the CeG/CEO, TNeGA has sent a detailed proposal to Government for the implementation of above announcement at an estimated cost of Rs.99,65,88,000/- (Rupees ninety nine crore sixty five lakhs and eighty eight thousand only) in line with **Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan' (PMGDISHA) Scheme** of Government of India.

3. Some of the salient features of proposal are as follows :-

i) Objectives:

The main objective of the PMGDISHA programme is to make six crore persons in rural areas, across States/UTs, digitally literate, reaching to around 40% of rural households by covering one **digitally illiterate** member from every eligible household. The target beneficiaries for the State is 26.79 lakh.

ii) Target Beneficiaries:

One person in every family who is **digitally illiterate** and between the age group of 14-60 years would be considered eligible for training under the scheme. Also Non-smartphone users, Antyodaya households, college drop-outs, Participants of the adult literacy mission, digitally illiterate school students from class 9th to 12th, provided facility of Computer/Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Training is not available in their schools and SC, ST, BPL, women, differently-abled persons and minorities to be given preference for training under the scheme.

iii) Eligible Household:

A household is defined as a unit comprising of Head of family, spouse, children and parents. All such households where none of the family member is digitally literate will be considered as eligible household under the Scheme.

iv) Entry Criteria:

- The beneficiary should be Digitally Illiterate
- Only one person per eligible household would be considered for training
- Age Group: 14 - 60 years

Priority would be given to

- Non-smartphone users, Antyodaya households, college drop-outs, Participants of the adult literacy mission
- Digitally illiterate school students from class 9th to 12th, provided facility of Computer/ICT Training is not available in their schools
- Women in the SHGs (Self Help-Groups)
- Preference would be given to SC, ST, BPL, women, differently-abled persons and minorities
- The identification of the beneficiaries would be carried out by CSC-SPV in active collaboration with DeGS, Gram Panchayats, and Block Development Officers. The list of such beneficiaries would be made available on the scheme.

v) Duration: Upto 31st March, 2019.

vi) Target:

The target for Digital Literacy in Tamil Nadu is **26,79,000** excluding Chennai (M. Corporation), Madurai (M. Corporation) and Coimbatore (M. Corporation). On an average a target of 200-300 beneficiaries per Gram Panchayat is envisaged. Actual target for the Gram Panchayat would be decided by the District e- Governance Society (DeGS) chaired by the District Magistrate, keeping in view the size of district, population, local requirements, etc. Attempts shall be made to provide full Digital Literacy to the villages covered under Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana.

vii) State Implementing Agency (SIA):

The State Implementing Agency (SIA) of Tamil Nadu – Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency (TNeGA).

The role of State Implementing Agency (SIA) would be

- The SIA shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with CSC-SPV on behalf of the State Government towards implementation of the Scheme.
- To facilitate sharing of resources available with State to CSC-SPV.
- To liaise, interact and coordinate with various agencies to identify and select the eligible candidates.
- To liaise, interact and coordinate with the various Government Agencies/ stakeholders for formation of various State/District/Panchayat level committees for monitoring of the scheme.
- To select, liaise and coordinate with various training agencies in consultation with CSC-SPV. for actual implementation of the scheme in Panchayats.
- To facilitate mobilization of candidates to the nearest Digital Literacy Training Centres.

As 26,79,000 beneficiaries are to be covered under the scheme for the state of Tamil Nadu, TNeGA will explore the possibility of utilizing the services of Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation(TACTV), Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu Ltd (ELCOT), School Education, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rural Development Department for training centres in the Districts. National Informatics Centre (NIC) officials may monitor the training programme in Districts.

viii) Certification Agencies:

- National Agency-National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT)
- Tamil Nadu- ICT Academy

ix) Assessment Process:

After the completion of training, the trained candidates shall have to undergo a term-end online examination at a centre of the certifying agency. The training would be imparted through modules covering various subjects under digital literacy. The details of the modules are as below:

x) Module Name:

- Introduction to Digital Devices
- Operating Digital Devices
- Introduction to the Internet
- Communications using the Internet
- Applications of Internet (include citizen-centric services; Use of digital financial tools for undertaking cashless transactions.

xi) Implementation of the scheme at the District-level Selection of beneficiaries by District e-Governance Society (DeGS)

The selection of beneficiaries in each Panchayat may be done by the DeGS probably through the concerned Block Development Officer (Village Panchayat) and the concerned Village Panchayat Secretary.

• **Selection of Training Centres**

The selection of Training Centres may be done by the DeGS in coordination with the CSC SPV i.e. joint inspection of the training centres may be done by the DeGS along with CSC SPV, and DeGS may send the list of training centres.

xii) Monitoring of the Scheme:

As per the guidelines of the scheme, two Committees viz; State Level Monitoring Committee (SLMC) and the District Level Monitoring Committee (DLMC) have to be formed to guide and monitor this scheme.

xiii) Financial Assistance:

Training Fee: Rs.300/- per candidate is payable directly to respective Training Partners/Centres through CSC-SPV on successful certification of candidates trained by them.

xiv) Examination Fee / Certification Cost: Rs.70/- per candidate. This Fee would be directly payable to the duly registered Certifying Agencies for the assessment and certification of candidates

The State Implementing Agency will be eligible for financial assistance towards meeting the overhead cost and monitoring of the scheme on an average of Rs. 2/- per candidate by the CSC-SPV. The total amount will be approximately Rs.53,58,000 and District level Monitoring Committee (DLMC) will be given fund through this for conducting meetings.

The financial implication involved under the scheme for imparting IT training to 26.79 lakh rural public of the state is given below:

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| Training fee | 26,79,000 * 300 | Rs. 80,37,00,000/- |
| Certification fee | 26,79,000 * 70 | Rs. 18,75,30,000/- |
| Monitoring fee | 26,79,000 * 2 | Rs. 53,58,000/- |
| | Total | Rs.99,65,88,000/- |

4. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency accord administrative approval for imparting Information Technology training to 26.79 lakh digitally illiterate Rural Public in the State of Tamil Nadu at an estimated cost of Rs.99,65,88,000/- (Rupees ninety nine crore sixty five lakh and eighty eight thousand only) under PMGDISHA Scheme.

5. In order to monitor and implement the PMGDISHA scheme in the State, a State level Monitoring Committee will be formed and to monitor the scheme at District level, District level Monitoring Committee in each District has already been formed under the chairmanship of District Collector (except Chennai).

6. The Government also directs the Commissioner of e-Governance and Chief Executive Officer to take necessary action on the following for smooth implementation of the Scheme.

- i. As State implementing Agency, TNeGA will enter in to an MOU with CSC-SPV.
- ii. To utilize the services of TACTV/PACCS/VPRCs as training partners of CSC-SPV in imparting training to beneficiaries under this scheme by entering in to an agreement with the above agencies in consultation with CSC-SPV.
- iii. To give instructions to all District Collectors regarding identification of beneficiaries in each District, Revenue Villages and so on.
- iv. To finalize Districtwise, Blockwise, Panchayatwise beneficiary details and share the list of beneficiaries with CSC-SPV for organizing the training.

- v. To identify the Training Agency in Village level.
- vi. To explore the possibility of involving Local Schools, Government institutions.
- vii. To prepare separate detailed guidelines covering all items listed in the Guidelines of Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA) Scheme of Government of India and other items including the cases listed below:

a) Coverage of Villages :

No of villages to be covered in each District

b) Coverage of SC/ST/Women population

Total No of SC/ST/ Women population to be covered under this scheme

c) Commencement :

Whether the program will commence simultaneously in all Districts or will be covered in a phased manner

d) Plan of Action :

Plan of action for completing the scheme within the stipulated time., i.e 31st March 2019.

7. The Government further directs the Commissioner of e-Governance and Chief Executive Officer, Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency to send a separate proposal seeking releasing Monitoring fees to Government so as to forward the same to Government of India. Further, the Commissioner of e-Governance and Chief Executive Officer, Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency is also directed to send a monthly status report on implementation of the scheme to Government including the no.of beneficiaries trained, the funds released by Government of India etc.

8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (Industries) Department, vide its U.O.No.61444/Ind/2017 dated 1-12-2017.

(By order of the Governor)

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