Hon’ Minister addressed CSC Corona warriors through video conferencing

Hon’ Union Minister for Electronics & IT and Law Justice and Communications Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad interacted with CSC VLEs through video conferencing. He appreciated the impact and progress made by the Village Level Entrepreneurs (VLEs) during coronavirus lockdown.

Hon’ Minister said, “Our Prime Minister is great well wisher of CSC movement. Recently, he announced the Aatmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan stimulus package. Rs 1 lakh crore fund has been allocated for agriculture infrastructure. Rs 2 lakh crore will be given to farmers through Kisan credit cards while 2.5 crore farmers, including fishermen and animal husbandry farmers would get Rs 2 lakh crore of concessional credit through Kisan Credit Cards under its economic stimulus package. The government allowed states to fund the food and shelter facilities to migrant workers from the disaster response fund. Rs 40,000 crore allocated for the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) for job creation in India’s hinterland.”

“We introduced 'one nation one ration card' to allow migrant workers to buy ration from any depot in the country. This included Rs 3 lakh crore for MSME. Migrant workers will get 5 kilogrammes of grains and 1 kilogramme of pulses free for two months. I request VLEs to put this announcement as posters at their centres and create awareness among citizens.”

Hon’ Minister said, “As the world faces one of its biggest health and humanitarian crises due to the Covid-19 pandemic, CSCs are taking swift measures to empower villagers in this scenario, using digital platforms and services. They are playing a big role ensuring business continuity and strengthening outreach by continuing to provide last-mile connectivity through digital services and infrastructure. VLEs have been working hard to enable citizens to access their entitlements. Using AEPS, they have carried out 53.39 lakh transactions for an amount of over Rs. 833 crore during the lockdown. In Kisan Samman Nidhi, they have enrolled 46 lakh farmers. 11.48 lakh Kisan Credit card have been issued for farmers. 17 lakh Ujjwala beneficiaries have booked LPG gas through CSCs. 500 CSCs are working as delivery agents. 50,500 telemedicine consultations have been done through CSCs. CSCs have been engaged in spreading awareness about the Arogya Setu App and getting citizens to download the App on their smartphones. So far, 2.95 crore downloads of the App have been carried out through CSCs.”
Hon’ Minister appreciated CSCs efforts in Rural e-Commerce. He said, “VLEs have opened 41,000 Grameen e-stores across the country. It shows their entrepreneurship. 1.10 lakh customers have downloaded app of e-stores and Rs 3.5 cr worth items have been supplied to them. CSC Grameen Stores are redefining the availability of products in Rural India to every household. Grameen eStores should be a big platform for selling of rural products. It should be big movement. Similar, after the coronavirus pandemic, healthcare will be a big movement. CSCs should work as the centres of Primary Healthcare.”

“The lockdown to contain the spread of COVID-19 has led to a staggering humanitarian crisis which the country has struggled to handle. As stranded workers and vulnerable families run out of food, cash and patience, citizen-led initiatives, running out of living rooms, mapping out the needy via CSC network, have stepped in this wide breach. VLEs have distributed 7 lakh food packets among needy and poor. Apart from this, VLEs have been raising funds, packing food and sending them out to labour colonies across the state. All VLEs should encourage donations for PM-Care fund.”

“The future of our country lies in hands of our VLEs. Now, you will get more opportunities. The VLEs should get expertise in digital skilling. I appeal our women VLEs that they should promote Mask Movement just like they did in sanitary napkin movement.”

The Hon’ Minister was addressing around 3.7 lakh VLEs from across the country through video conferencing, many of whom have worked as corona warriors in rural India.

Please watch the full video of the interaction on this link:

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**Booking of train tickets will resume at 1.7 lakh Common Service Centres across the country**

Hon'ble Railway Minister, Shri Piyush Goyal said booking of train tickets will resume at around 1.7 lakh Common Service Centres across the country from Friday, making the service accessible to those in remote locations where the availability of computers and internet is negligible or absent.

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Hon' Minister appreciated CSCs role in Rural eCommerce

Hon' Minister Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad appreciated CSCs role in Rural eCommerce. He said, “CSC is playing a role in delivering essential commodities to people in rural areas during lockdown through Grameen eStores eCommerce model. So far they have delivered 60,000 orders worth more than 3 Crore to the people in the villages.”

Now, Get your e-stamp at your doorstep in Tripura

Citizens in Tripura are getting their e-stamp done anywhere, any time, without going to any authorised centre to get the papers during coronavirus lockdown.

CSCs have started this service (e-Stamp) in Tripura.

With this system through CSCs in Tripura, one can fill e-stamps used for various purposes in the comfort of one's home and take printouts, too. This system saves money, prevents fraud, assures authentication by electronic means and extends the service to citizens at their door steps through CSCs.
E-stamp is an electronically generated impression on paper instead of paper-based non-judicial stamps issued from authorised collection centers, which are appointed by the central record keeping agency in agreement with the state government.

Previously the government had to purchase stamps in exchange for security money. The new system through CSCs in Tripura eliminates any such problems related to stamp duty and money would be directly credited in the state exchequer, eliminating third party intermediaries.

e-Stamping is a computer-based application and a secured electronic way of stamping documents. The prevailing system of physical stamp paper/franking is being replaced by the e-stamping system. While things used to get done even earlier, there were no standards that people could look at. Since the procedure involved a lot of paperwork in terms of buying physical non-judicial stamp papers, signing each of the sheets, people relied on brokers and agents to get the work done. Cases of cheating, overcharging and fraud were rampant. E-Stamping service is offered on CSC National Portal i.e. Digital Seva in the States of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Tripura, Gujarat and Jharkhand. CSC E-Governance Services India Limited has tied up with these State Governments for utilising the services of CSCs for providing the E-Stamping service.

CSC Academy introduced a new course on Sanskrit Language

CSC Academy launched a new course on Sanskrit Language learning. For those who want to learn Sanskrit, the course duration is 15 Hours. CSC Academy announced a course on Sanskrit to popularize the ancient language. Anybody who loves Sanskrit, but did not have a chance to learn it in college or school, can join this course. It will teach them how to speak Sanskrit. The first batch for the course is going to start on May 23rd, 2020 with online classes of duration one hour daily.
Success Story of Tele Law from Jammu & Kashmir

Applicant beneficiary Md. Ali (name changed), a resident of Hurdumir village, Pulwama District, Jammu & Kashmir was worried about his pregnant wife. Due to spread of COVID-19 he was in constant fear and was concern about its impact on both mother and baby. Due to lockdown, he was unable to get proper medical maternity care for his wife. As the delivery date was approaching nearby he did not know the procedure to get movement pass and mode of getting the medical facility.

On enquiring, came to know through medical staffs that an immediate medical facility was not available in his vicinity, because nearby hospitals were busy with COVID-19 cases. Adding to this he was not allowed to move and he had no transport facility. Seeing and understanding the situation of Md. Ali, Md. Manzoori Ahmad (his neighbor) who is a VLE asked him to seek help through Tele-Law service. Knowing about it he immediately registered himself through instant appointment method. Instantly the applicant and panel lawyer connected through phone.

The Panel Lawyer informed him about free ambulance service which is made available for pregnant women with free medical facilities by the Government hospital. Further he was also informed that if in case his wife required any special treatment, she would be referred to specialized medical treatment through the Government Health Centre through the doctor concerned and as per the policy framed by the Government and the movement would be properly facilitated. As the applicant did not have the requisite pass and transportation facility, Panel lawyer advised him to approach the Chief Medical Officer telephonically on the numbers notified by the local Administration. As suggested, the applicant approached the Chief Medical Officer of the area, telephonically and had explained his problem. On listening to his problem the concerned Officer immediately arranged an ambulance and his wife was taken to health centre. On further follow up, the informed that his wife has delivered a healthy baby. Both baby and mother are fine and all his family members are happy and thanked CSC for this scheme.

Presently a total of 218224 cases are registered under Tele-Law project, out of which 206817 cases have received advice from the panel Lawyers.

For more information log in to: http://www.tele-law.in/
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VLE Manzoori Ahmad
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100,000 CSC Grameen eStore App downloaded in a span of one month!

100,000 CSC Grameen eStore App downloaded in a span of one month. CSC Grameen eStore app connects the VLEs farmers and the consumers without all the middlemen via mobile device. This encourages the farmers to produce more and quality produce as they have an increase in their incomes also these products are now available at more affordable prices for the consumer.

Instead of the farmer coming all the way to markets, the market went to his doorstep. As a result, customers could get the fresh products daily, making the farm-to-fork concept a reality long before retail chains began doing so in the metros.

CSC is empowering villagers in Mokhra, Haryana during lockdown

VLE Rohtash, hailing from Mokhra village, Rohtak, Haryana, is empowering villagers during lockdown. Hon’ Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman announced under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY) for the poor to help them fight the battle against coronavirus. For old age women, the package includes widow pension and direct cash transfer benefits. VLE actively created awareness on the relief package in his village. MNREGA workers came to his CSC and received direct cash transfer benefit of Rs. 1000 immediately through DigiPay. This immediate relief will shield them and their children during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

The VLE started his CSC in year 2017 with delivery of G2C services. Since then growth of his CSC has been exponential. With ever growing service portfolio, residents are getting dependent on CSC for their service delivery requirement. His soft skills helped him connect with people and made them rely on him for the services.
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Major services rendered through his CSC are PMSYM, IRCTC, Digi Pay, PAN card, ITI form filling, insurance premium, etc. In a month, he does transaction worth Rs. one lakh of all the services. He has generated employment for two people at his centre by providing them employment opportunities. Getting associated with CSC has changed his life tremendously and today he is confident and feels satisfied with the kind of work he is doing for the society and public at large. He is earning well and his income has improved manifold and feels satisfied with the transformation that has taken place in his village.
CSC Gramin Naukri Portal!!

CSC Gramin Naukri Portal is a digital platform to bridge the gap between job seekers and job providers. The vision is to transform the employment process for the youth in Gramin Bharat.

Take a look: [https://cscgraminnaukari.in/gn/](https://cscgraminnaukari.in/gn/)

Webinar on Making Mask for Covid 19 pandemic for VLEs

CSC SPV had organized a webinar for CSC VLEs who are making a different kind of masks or want to start a new business of making masks on May 17th, 2020. The webinar had an overwhelming response and it was great to see all the people coming together to understand more ways to support the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Chhaya Bhati, Founder, Vertiver Sustainability Foundation, and Prof. Kannan M. Moudgalya, Erach and Mehta Advance Education Technology, Chair Professor, IIT, Bombay were the key speakers. The main focus of the webinar was to understand the best practices to facilitate mask making.
Divyang VLE distributes free sanitary pads to tribal women

CSC VLE Ravi Supekar decided to distribute free sanitary napkins to these women. Consulting with Village Development Officer Shri Paresh Jadhav, StreeSwabhiman Unit got permission to distribute sanitary Napkins.

While the lockdown's goal was to keep everyone healthy, disruption in manufacture and distribution of pads and procurement of raw material will defeat the purpose, notes VLE Ravi Supekar. Sanitary pads for women should be declared an essential commodity and their production should be allowed as there was an alarming demand and scarcity during the COVID-19 lockdown period, says VLE.

Divyang VLE Ravi Supekar decided to step out in wheel-chair and reached at the location. He distributed free sanitary napkins at Wavi village of District-Nashik (MH) in presence of Shri Ravindra Tanpure (Branch Manager, Maha Bank), Smt. Nandatai Gawade (Sarpanch of Village).

VLE Sultan Patel empowers villagers in Yawal, Maharashtra during corona pandemic

VLE Sultan Patel is empowering villagers in Padalse village, Yawal, Maharashtra during corona pandemic. Yawal is a taluka in Jalgaon, Maharashtra. VLE is now offering door-to-door service among the disadvantaged people in nearby villages where he distributes pension and relief amount of PMGKY through DIGIPAY. In last one month, the VLE did 566 transactions worth Rs. 35 lakh through DigiPay.
Be Vocal, Buy Local

Mr. Amit Kumar from Dhanbad, Jharkhand is delivering products at the customer's doorstep through CSC Gramin eStore.
Aarogya Setu app in Padalse GP, Maharashtra

The Government of India has specially developed the Arogya Setu app available in total 11 languages for Android and iOS system mobile holders to make Covid-19 information available to the general public. Arogya Setu app alerts people if any person in their vicinity has tested positive. Lockdown has been declared all over the country. Therefore, the masses in rural areas can’t go anywhere.

In order to overcome this situation, subject to the guidelines of the Central Government and the State Government, VLE Mr. Sultan Shabbir Patel, the CSC Center owner of Padalse Gram Panchayat under Yaval Taluka in Jalgaon District, has created a Whatsapp group in the village about Arogya Setu App and created awareness among the citizens. By downloading Arogya Setu app on their mobile Yaval Panchayat Samiti has been set up by Block Development Officer Dr. Nilesh Patil, Extension Officer Kishor Sapkale, District Manager of Aaple Sarkar Seva Kendra Mr. Chetan Chaudhary and Village Development Officer Mr. Liladhar Sona Nahaleya. More than 300 villagers had the app "Arogya Setu" installed in their mobile phones the self-test should be how to Corona and through this app, citizens were also guided to stay away from corona infection. The app is alerting you as soon as you come in contact with Corona infected people through this app.
Also with The Collaboration of Local Authority Mr. Patel also serves to his village by participating in total sanitization of his village. The VLE is helping citizens through Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana, Ujala Gas Subsidy Sanjay Gandhi Niradhar Yojana, Shravan BAL Yojana, Kisan Samman Yojana. Mr. Patel is also providing Banking Service which is appreciated by Local Newspaper.
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