Covid-19 has taught us to become self-reliant, Hon’ Prime Minister

Hon’ Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi held the interaction with sarpanches on the Panhayati Raj Day today. He also inaugurated e-Gram Swaraj portal and a mobile application on the occasion. “People of the country living in remote villages have demonstrated discipline during the current crisis. The discipline shown by villages is an inspiration for the whole country”, Hon’ Prime Minister said.

He said, now, broadband has reached more than 1.25 lakh panchayats. Not only that, the number of Common Services Centres in villages is also crossing three lakh.”

“Despite limited resources amid coronavirus crisis, citizens are taking on this challenge instead of succumbing to difficulties. It is because of efforts of people, entire world today is talking about how India has responded to COVID-19 crisis."

Watch the video here : https://twitter.com/CSCegov_/status/1253596311766601729?s=19
CSCs have helped the needy in accessing their entitlements

As the world faces one of its biggest health and humanitarian crisis due to Covid-19 pandemic, India too is taking strong measures to contain the spread. Dr. Dinesh Kumar Tyagi, CEO-CSC SPV, in an interaction with Business Line, shares how CSCs are ensuring services in remote areas during Corona Pandemic.

‘CSCs have helped the needy in accessing their entitlements’

By Dinesh Tyagi

CSCs have been at the forefront of ensuring that the needs of the citizens are met even in remote areas. With the lockdown, there has been an increase in the demand for services such as ration cards, Aadhaar, and other government schemes.

The government has announced a number of measures to help the citizens during the lockdown. One of the major measures is the Digital India campaign, which aims to provide digital services to the citizens.

During the lockdown period, around 5.04 lakh transactions have been carried out by CSCs to help withdraw an amount of Rs 1.08 crore under Digipay.

The CSCs are also providing telemedicine services to the citizens. The CSCs have been offering telemedicine services to the citizens from experienced medical practitioners of Apollo, ApolloEON, Optimum and WelcomeCare.

Many of the citizens have already done the same. How are the CSCs involved in creating awareness and helping citizens during the lockdown?

CSCs have been asked to display posters on information about the pandemic as well as hygiene and social distancing. They have also been helping to produce face masks in bulk and are distributing them free among the citizens.

For example, in the Villupuram district of Tamil Nadu, the CSCs have participated in the fight against the pandemic by producing face masks that are being distributed to the needy. Similarly, in Tiruppur district, the CSCs are also involved in the distribution of face masks and food items.

We are motivating the citizens to participate in the distribution of face masks and food items. A large number of CSCs have also contributed to the PM Care Line.
HIGHLIGHT

NIOS Services available on Digital Seva Portal

The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) and CSC SPV joined hands to make CSCs as NIOS Facilitation Centers. Under this partnership, CSCs can promote the Open Schooling in Rural India, Register Students, Pay Registration and Examination Fee, Know the Status of Admission, and Declare Results.

The key features of NIOS are:
• NIOS is an Open School to cater the need of heterogeneous group of learners.
• Provide an opportunity to school dropouts to complete their education up to Class 12.
• No need to travel miles and go to schools.
• Study at home and continue job.
• Anyone above 14 years can get admission under Open Schooling.
• NIOS Certificate is accepted by all the Universities and Colleges for continuing higher education.

Eligibility Criteria
Secondary:
• The minimum age to take admission in the Secondary Course is 14 years as on 31st July 2019 (born on or before 31.07.2005)
• A learner giving a self-certificate "I have studied enough to be able to pursue secondary course" is also eligible for admission to the Secondary Course.

Sr. Secondary:
• The minimum age to take admission in the Senior Secondary Course is 15 years. As on 31st July, 2019 (born on or before 31.07.2004).
• In order to take admission in the Senior Secondary course, the learner must have passed the Secondary course from a recognised Board.

Fee Structure

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VLE Commission:
• Student Registration & Fee Collection: Rs. 35
• Examination Form & Fee Submission: Rs. 20

*Rs. 50/- online processing charges
Celebrating CSC LPG Week (23-30 April, 2020)

CSC SPV is celebrating CSC LPG Week (23-30 April, 2020). VLEs should reach every beneficiary to book their cylinder entitlement.
3 free LPG cylinders till June 2020 for Ujjwala beneficiaries

Government of India has announced pro-poor initiatives under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana, as part of economic response to Covid-19. This is aimed at alleviating the hardships faced by poor due to economic disruption by Corona virus. As per this Yojana, free LPG Refills are to be provided to Ujjwala beneficiaries over the period of 3 months, from April to June 2020. Now you can book 3 free LPG cylinders till June 2020 for Ujjwala beneficiaries at your nearest CSC.

- Validity of the scheme (3 cylinders) – April to June 2020
- This scheme is only for Ujjwala beneficiaries
- 14.2 KG & 5 KG cylinders can be booked
- If the refill of April month is not taken, she still can avail the refill for May or June month.
- Beneficiary will receive the advance amount in her bank account directly.
- 15 days gap for 14.2 KG & 10 days Gap for 5 KG is mandatory between booking 2 cylinders
- Withdrawal amount facility is also available at CSCs - DigiPay
HDFC Banking Services: Top 5 VLEs in the month of March

Mr. Manoj Kumar in Karnataka, Best Product: TWL
Mr. Manoj is very happy after getting HDFC services, all the local people in his area contact him for all banking-related services. He has generated maximum two wheeler leads.

Mr. Sathesh Kumar in Tamil Nadu, Best Product: JLG
Mr. Sathesh is very happy after getting HDFC services, all the local people in his area contact him for all banking-related services. He has generated maximum SLI leads.

Mr. R. Rajesh Kumar in Tamil Nadu, Best Product: JLG
Mr. R. Rajesh Kumar is very happy after getting HDFC services, all the local people in his area contact him for all banking-related services. He has generated maximum SLI leads.

Mr. Saravanan Arumugam in Tamil Nadu, Best Product: JLG
Mr. Saravanan is very happy after getting HDFC services, all the local people in his area contact him for all banking-related services. He has generated maximum SLI leads.

Mr. Sankar in Tamil Nadu, Best Product: JLG
Mr. Sankar is very happy after getting HDFC services, all the local people in his area contact him for all banking-related services. He has generated maximum SLI leads.
VLE helps old age citizens for cash withdrawal in Kheda, Gujarat

Corona’a rapid spread is likely due to the movements of people with no or very mild symptoms — namely, those who are unaware that they even have the virus. That is why social distancing is such an important containment measure. In this condition, old age persons are facing problem in cash withdrawal. VLE Rajesh Solanki from Nadiad Block of Kheda District is providing cash withdrawal facility at doorsteps with proper precaution to fight against Corona Virus.
DigiPay becomes tool of empowerment in Gujarat during Corona Pandemic

DigiPay has become a tool of empowerment in Gujarat during Corona Pandemic. This system facilitates disbursement of government entitlements like payment under MGNREGA, social security pension, Handicapped, and Old Age Pension, etc of any Central or State Government bodies, using Aadhaar and authentication thereof as supported by UIDAI.

This system is based on demographic and biometric/iris information of an individual, which eliminates the threat of any fraud and non-genuine activity. Aadhaar facilitates 'anytime, anywhere, anyhow' authentication to its beneficiary.

Following VLEs in various GPs in Gujarat are actively helping citizens through DigiPay.

VLE Name - Mayu Desai
Village- Vadiya, Block – Kunkavav, Dist - Amreli,

VLE Name - Husen Vora
CSC Location-Solsumba Village, Umbergaoun, Valsad
INITIATIVE

VLE Name - Hanubhai
CSC Location: Village – Timbi, Taluka Jafarabad, Dist - Amreli

VLE Name- DHARECHA ASHVIN JETHABHAI
CSC Location- Kodinar, Gir, Somnath

VLE name. Ashokbhai M Vasava
Village Dediapada, Block Dediapada, District name. Narmada
INITIATIVE

Name Vipulbhai Baraiya
CSC Location- Gp- Kalsar, Block – Mahuva, Dist- Bhavnagar

VLE Name; Amratbhai R. Prajapati
Village; Jaspur, Dist; Gandhinagar

VLE Name:- Ramesh Kanjibhai Tukadiya
Village :- Tukda Gosa, Block :- Porbandar, District :- Porbandar
INITIATIVE

VLE: ChavdaBhupatRameshbhai
Village: Virpur, Block: Jetpur, Dist: Rajkot

VLE NAME: HOTH SULTANKHAN ALIKHAN
CSC Location: BUDHANA, SIHOR, DIST: BHAVNAGAR
VLE Balvant Bariya helps PMUY beneficiaries in Gujarat

Around 50 cylinders have been delivered to Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) beneficiaries in April by CSC VLE Balvant Bariya in Gujarat under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY) as part of the economic response to Covid-19. Free cylinders will be delivered to Ujjwala beneficiaries during the three-month period April to June 2020 under PMGKY.

Since the lockdown, 5-6 cylinders are being delivered every day while the waiting period for cylinders in most of the places remain less than two days, VLE informed.
INITIATIVE

CSC celebrates 2 lakh advice enabled under Tele law

Tele-Law scheme is an initiative taken by CSC SPV in collaboration with the Department of Justice (DoJ) to implement the service through the CSCs. This is a medium of e-interaction between lawyers and citizens through video-conferencing or telephone/phone mode. The service seeks to provide legal assistance to citizens at their doorsteps through the infrastructure of CSC present at rural locations. The concept of Tele-Law is to facilitate delivery of legal advice through a panel of lawyers. The project initiates to connect citizens with lawyers through video conferencing facilities by the Para-Legal Volunteers.

The scheme was initiated in 2017 and is expanded across CSCs in a phase manner. The scheme is unique, as it helps the poor, needy and distress people to get advice free of cost or at marginal cost at their doorsteps from the Panel Lawyers and it never happened before.

In our country, where large numbers of peoples are still unaware about their basic rights; the implementation of “Tele-Law” is really accelerated to achieving the core intention behind creation of the scheme.

Today, we are celebrating the grand success of the service as more than 2,00,000 cases advice has been enabled under the scheme with the aim to create legal awareness and provide legal aid to the citizens of rural areas especially those who belong to the marginal categories through CSC.

Presently, a total of 206462 cases are registered under Tele-Law project, out of which 201006 cases have received advice from the panel Lawyers.

For more information log in to: http://www.tele-law.in/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CscTeleLaw/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/Tele_Law
VLE provides DigiPay service at doorsteps during Corona Pandemic

VLE Ms. Jenova is providing cash withdrawal service to citizens at their doorsteps through Digi Pay in Sriperumbudur block, Kanchipuram district, TamilNadu.

VLE Gajanan did more than 200+ transactions worth 4.5 Lakhs in a single day using the Digipay services at Adilabad District, Telangana
Digital Beti in Uttar Pradesh

Digital Beti envisions to overcome the digital gender gap in India by training women from rural areas to become entrepreneurs, using digital tools.

During these testing times, it is imperative that we continue to support and motivate one another. This is why, we presented “Digital Beti Uttar Pradesh” — a hands-on learning experience for all Village Level Entrepreneurs of Uttar Pradesh. This community boost training imparted digital skilling to VLEs, and created a conversation on how to get started and help existing local businesses to make the most out of the internet.
CSC VLEs offer helping hand under GO GREEN MISSION in Bishnupur, Manipur

CSC VLEs of Bishnupur district, Manipur started GO GREEN MISSION CUM DIGITAL INDIA PROMOTION to make more CRYSTAL-CLEAR GREENER MANIPUR. As part of this, the team donated household materials and cash to Shri Ningthoujam Yaima Singh's family from Thanga Karang BamolLeikai, Bishnupur district, Manipur.

The team donated Rs. 5000/-, for the treatment of Yaima's wife Smt Ningthoujam Ongbi Angangcha Devi, who is patient of SLL (Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma), 80 Kg of Rice and daily household and grocery items worth Rs. 4000/-. Forgetting about the treatment cost, the family is still fighting to get two times food in a day. The team focussed on Digitized India and Digitized State Manipur to help such underprivileged family in possible way.
Pilot Gramin e-Stores started in Gujarat

VLE NAME: Pravinbhai Joshi  
CSC Location: Bhildi - Deesa, District-Banaskantha, Gujarat

Pravinbhai Joshi started Banaskantha's first pilot grameen e-store at Bhildi - Deesa, District Banaskantha. The VLE received 7 orders from nearby villages through web application. He delivered items as per order on the same day.
VLE Name: Mansinh Thakor  
CSC location: Navgama, Balasinor, Mahisagar  
VLE Mansinh Thakor started Gramin e-store at Navgama-Balasinor, District Mahisagar. The VLE received two orders from villages at 5 km distance through web application. He delivered items as per order on the same day.
STATE SCAN

In Bhavnagar District, Taluka Sihor, village Ishwariya VLE Mr. Rutvij Pandit started CSC Gramin E-store.

First order delivered at Digital village ishwariya (Bhavnagar) Gujarat on CSC gramin e-store by VLE Rutvij Pandit.
CSCs to function as donation acceptance points for PM CARES Fund

CSCs across the country can now function as donation acceptance points, which are approved by SBIEPAY and help citizens.

**Donations to PM CARES Fund would qualify under 80G for 100% exemption under the Income Tax Act, 1961.**

**Donations to PM CARES Fund will also qualify as Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) expenditure under the Companies Act, 2013.**

Steps to donate using CSC credentials

Step 1: Go to https://www.pmcares.gov.in/en/

Step 2: Click on Domestic donations

Step 3: Fill the details of the donor in the Contribution Donation form

Step 4: Choose CSC wallet under the wallet payment category

Step 5: Put CSC credentials and make the payment.
Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) during the phase of COVID-19 pandemic

Dear VLEs,
Please follow all these Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) during the phase of COVID-19 pandemic at your Common Service Centres (CSCs).