आर एस शर्मा <sup>सचिव</sup> R S Sharma Secretary



भारत सरकार संचार और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग Government of India Ministry of Communications & Information Technology Department of Electronics & Information Technology (DeitY)

D.O. No. NIC/DI/DDG (SBS)/2015 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2015

Subject: Digitization of Birth and Death Records available at Municipal Corporation under Dept. of Urban Development.

## Dear Chief Secretary,

The Government of India has created a platform to digitize various kinds of physical records through crowd sourcing (www.digitizeindia.gov.in). Converting physical records into digital form will not only facilitate easy access of Government records and services and enable easy access and data analysis for informed decision-making. The platform uses innovative algorithm which ensures accuracy of digitized document as well at a significantly reduced costs. It will also improve quality of record keeping and reduce the real estate required for maintaining large record rooms for maintaining legacy records.

- 2. The State Government is custodian of huge volumes of legacy data in form land records, land registry, birth and death records, exam results at school and university levels, service records of government employees etc.
- 3. I request that the State Government should take a drive to digitize its physical records at the earliest. You may start with digitizing those records which are presently available in scanned form and thereafter those which are stored in physical form. The SIO, NIC shall work with the State Government to identify recrds that could be digitized. CSC SPV shall facilitate the owners of the record in getting these records digitized using the platform.
- I shall greatly appreciate if you would keep me informed of the action taken.
  With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

RS Sharmal

Chief Secretaries of all States/UTs