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To,
The Secretary (IT),
Department of Information Technology
All State/UT Governments

Subject: Advisory regarding operationalisation of mobile CSCs.

Sir.

This has a reference to constraint highlighted by some States/UTs in maintaining the 1:6 ratio for operationalising the CSC Network, due to the following reasons:

- Low population density in the identified 6 village-cluster, thereby making the CSCs unviable
- Left-wing extremism
- No or poor broadband and power availability in remote areas

Considering the above issues, it has been decided that the States/ UTs should be given the flexibility to deploy mobile CSCs to service clusters of 6 villages, provided one or more of the following criteria are met:

- 1. Population of the cluster of 6 villages is less than 1000
- 2. Village cluster is affected by left wing extremism
- 3. Village cluster is in a remote area with no broadband and power availability.

States are advised to adhere to the following guidelines, while deploying mobile CSCs:

- 1. States may choose to setup mobile CSCs as satellite centers of existing CSCs or as independent centers.
- 2. The mobile VLE must visit each village in the assigned cluster of villages at least once a week for a period of 4-6 hours as per a pre-announced and widely publicized program.
- 3. The Gram Sabha should be given the responsibility to monitor the mobile CSCs.
- 4. States may modify the SLAs accordingly after requisite approvals from the State Apex Committee.
- 5. No additional funding/ financial support will be provided for mobile CSCs.

Yours sincerely,

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Director

