

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
Major achievements Month of August, 2020

The significant developments pertaining to Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology for the month of August, 2020 are as given below:

I. Important Policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:

1. Software Industry Promotion

i. Innovation Challenge for Development of a Video Conferencing Solution

An Innovation Challenge for Development of a Video Conferencing Solution under the Digital India Initiative was announced by the Ministry in April, 2020. The Innovation Challenge was open for participation from Industry, start-ups and individual experts. A total of 1983 applications were received and out of these, 12 applicants were shortlisted to develop/mature the prototype and were provided an amount of Rs.5 lakhs each. The prototypes so evolved were further evaluated by Jury and Mentors comprising of eminent experts from Industry, Academia and five shortlisted applicants were provided further financial, mentorship, testing and on boarding onto NIC cloud.

M/s. Techgentsia Software Technologies Private Limited (Vconsol), Alappuzha City, Kerala is the winner of the challenge and will be provided financial support of Rs. one crore, with additional Rs.10 lakhs towards O&M for next three years and their product will be adopted for Government use through a contract.

In addition, the Jury also selected following three applicants as potential products and decided to sign a developmental contract and Rs 25 Lakh each will be provided to them for further maturing their product within a period of three months. These three products will be further analyzed by a technical committee and subsequently recommend to onboard all selected four products on GeM:

- a. Instrive Soft Labs Pvt. Ltd. (HydraMeet), Chennai
- b. PeopleLink Unified Communications Pvt Ltd (Insta VC), Hyderabad
- c. Sarv Webs Pvt. Ltd. (Sarv Wave), Jaipur

All the VC products will be provided support of STQC, CERT-In, CDAC and NIC and hosted on NIC cloud. NIC will also facilitate for adoption of these products for Government use through GeM. All selected four teams will be free to market their product globally.

2. UIDAI

i. The Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 were notified on 5th August 2020 specifying purposes for which Aadhaar authentication may be allowed under Section 4 of the Aadhaar Act. It allows use of Aadhaar authentication for purposes, other than delivery of subsidies under section 7, e.g. usage of digital platforms to ensure good governance and use of Aadhaar authentication for universal Health ID (UHID) etc.

UIDAI has a well-designed, multilayered robust security system in place to maintain the highest level of data security, integrity and privacy. UIDAI is now first government organization in India to be ISO 27701 certified.

ii. UIDAI has been organizing a number of workshops regarding “Aadhaar Authentication and Offline Verification” explaining Online Authentication, Aadhaar Offline Verification, Aadhaar Paperless Offline e-KYC and Secure QR code and also give live demo of applications and services. During August 2020, a workshop was conducted over Video Conference (VC) for State Government of Andhra Pradesh and around 75 officers attended the workshop.

3. National Informatics Centre

Aarogya Setu – AarogyaSetu is a mobile application to aid the COVID-19 efforts of the Government. The App works based on contact tracing method and helps the Government in identifying, monitoring and mitigating the spread of COVID-19 across the country. The Bluetooth contact tracing feature of the app has helped 81 lakh citizens at a potential risk and they were advised further medical interventions and quarantine steps, as necessary.

The App also provides a ‘missed call service’ that allows a citizen to give a missed call on 1921. The caller gets a call back to submit his self assessment on his health. Based on the submission of the health assessment, the citizen gets alerts on the action to be taken to ensure their safety. This service is available Pan-India.

4. National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT)

- i. Hon'ble Minister (E&IT), laid the foundation stone of NIELIT Extension Centre at Muzaffarpur through a Web Conferencing on 28th August, 2020.
- ii. Assam Science & Technology University (ASTU) awarded affiliation to NIELIT Guwahati to conduct BCA and M.Sc. courses. NIELIT, Guwahati will start enrolling students for these courses from the academic session 2020-2021.

5. UMANG (Unified Mobile Application for New-age Governance)

- i. 322 services (18 – Central and State Govt. services; 304 – Utility Bill Payment services) onboarded in the month of Aug'20 on UMANG. (Total services count to 1323)
- ii. MoU was signed between NeGD and CSC e-Governance Services India to facilitate delivery of UMANG app services through Common Service Centres (CSCs) in an assisted mode. The services on UMANG app will be available to citizens through the network of 3.75 lakh CSCs.

Important developments under MeitY's Schemes:

- As on 31st August, 2020, total number of Aadhaar generated are 126.17 crore against the ‘projected population 2020’ of 137.05 crore. Aadhaar saturation (Projected Population 2020) across India stands at 88.8%.
- Total number of e-Services registered in eTaal till 31st August, 2020 is 3,882.

I) Minimum Government, Maximum Governance

Jeevan Pramaan

The Digital Life Certificates (DLCs) generated till August, 2020 are 357.14 lakh and DLCs generated in the month of August, 2020 are 76,610.

MyGov

MyGov has 842 discussion themes and 964 tasks. Around 1.33 crore people have registered on the Platform.

Open Government Data Platform (OGD) India

Around 4.10 lakh resources have been contributed under 8,510 catalogues and 2,093 Visualizations and 46,894 APIs have been created.

II. Important policy matters held up on account of prolonged inter-ministerial consultations: 'NIL'.

III. Compliance of CoS decisions: Decisions of CoS meetings on the issues relating to MeitY are being updated on e-SamikSha portal under "Committee of Secretaries" module.

IV. No. of cases of 'sanction for prosecution' pending for more than three months: 'NIL'

V. Particular of cases in which there has been a departure from the transaction of Business Rules or established policy of the government: There has been no departure from the Transaction of Business Rules or the established policy of the Government.

VI. Status of implementation of e-Governance: MeitY has initiated File Management System through e-Office.

Total No. of Physical files created during August, 2020	Total No. of efiles created during August, 2020
05	511

VII. Status of Public Grievances:

No. of cases disposed during the month of August, 2020	No. of Public Grievances pending at the end of August, 2020
845	411

VIII. Information on the specific steps taken by the Ministry/department for utilization of the Space technology based tools and applications in Governance and Development.

The Geographic Information System (GIS) based decision support system (DSS) platform was established under the National Centre of Geo-Informatics (NCoG) which was approved by the Competent Authority on 31.12.2015 for total outlay of Rs.98.28 crore.

Following are the key achievements on NCoG :

- i. Total number of Applications: 555
- ii. Total number of Web applications: 518
- iii. Total number of Mobile applications: 37
- iv. Number of Central Ministries/Departments/Agencies :29
- v. Number of States/UTs: 19