GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE)

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 266 TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, THE 3rd FEBRUARY, 2022

Computerization of Courts in Jharkhand

266 # Shri Deepak Prakash:

Will the Minister of *Law and Justice* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has plans for computerization of District and subordinate courts, if so, the details thereof in respect of the State of Jharkhand;
- (b) whether Government is planning to take initiatives to train judicial officers in the matter of computerization of judiciary, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of allocated budget for computerization of judiciary in the State of Jharkhand?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

- (a): Yes Sir. The Government has launched the eCourts Integrated Mission Mode Project in the country for computerization of District and subordinate courts with the objective of improving access to justice using technology. The Phase I of eCourts was concluded in 2015. Phase II of the project started in 2015 under which 18,735 District & Subordinate courts have been computerised so far including 447 Courts from Jharkhand.
- (b): Training programs have been conducted from time to time to train Judicial Officers and familiarise them with court digitisation initiatives. The eCommittee

of the Supreme Court of India has conducted trainings and awareness programmes on the ICT services provided under the eCourts project covering nearly 3,02,614 stakeholders, including High Court Judges, Judges of the District Judiciary, Court Staff, Master Trainers among Judges/DSA, Technical Staff of High Courts, and Advocates. 25 Master Trainers have been trained in each High Court who in turn have already trained 5409 Master Trainers across the country. These, 5409 Master Trainers have in turn imparted training programme on eCourt Services and eFiling in each district of the country.

As part of awareness campaign, a YouTube Channel has been created in the name of eCourts Services where video tutorials on e-Filing have been made available for larger outreach to stakeholders. A Brochure in English and Hindi on "How to register for e-Filing" has been made available on the e-Filing portal for the use of lawyers. It has also been released in 12 regional languages. The e-Committee, Supreme Court of India has issued user Manual for e-Courts Services Mobile Application and uploaded it on the official website of e-Committee in 14 languages namely English, Hindi, Bengali, Assamese, Gujarati, Kannada, Khasi, Malayalam, Marathi, Nepali, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil and Telugu.

(c): The year-wise details of funds allocated to High Court of Jharkhand under the eCourts Phase II is as given below:

Financial	Funds released (Rs. In
Year	crores)
2015-16	3.20
2016-17	5.09
2017-18	2.92
2018-19	4.53
2019-20	5.53
2020-21	2.98
Total	24.25
