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

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

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

1. Electronics Manufacturing

i) Electronics & IT Goods (Requirement of Compulsory Registration) Order, 2012

Twelve additional product categories were notified under the schedule of the "Electronics & IT goods (Requirement of Compulsory Registration) Order, 2012" on 01.04.2020. The Order was scheduled to come into effect from 01.10.2020. The date of the implementation of the order has been extended for further six months vide Gazette Notification dated 16.9.2020. Now, the order is scheduled to come into effect from 01.04.2021. Based on the recommendation of MeitY, DGFT has modified the import policy and random surveillance has been notified for the LED products and the AC/DC control gears for the LED modules vide Notification dated 17.09.2020.

2. International Cooperation

7th Indo-Japan Joint Working Group (JWG) meeting in IT & Electronics/Digital Partnership was held online on 9-10 September, 2020 between MeitY, India and METI (Japan). Discussions were held on Collaboration in Electronic Manufacturing between India & Japan, Data Governance & Cyber security [Only G-2-G] and Software, Start-ups/Innovation & emerging technologies.

During the meeting, both the sides agreed to collaborate for diversification and strengthen the global supply chain and the issues related to the Artificial intelligence and semiconductor space, strengthen the existing programs like CEATEC, Hiroshima CxO roundtable involving more agencies like JEITA, Keidanran and CSAJ with an AI matchmaking platform.

Indian side invited Japanese investors/VCs/angel investors to invest in the proposed Software Product Development Fund (SPDF) and Electronics Development Fund 2.0 (EDF 2.0). Japanese side was also requested to explore collaboration and investment in – Display of electronic devices particularly in next generation displays (OLED and AMOLED); manufacturing of electronics related to automotive (such as engine control units) and Semiconductor assembly, packaging and testing (ATMP). Japanese side discussed issues related to draft e-commerce policy and data governance law/policy.

3. Digital Payments

In the month of September 2020, 296.09 crore digital payment transactions have been witnessed with UPI+BHIM accounting for a large part of the overall number of transactions and depicted significant growth over previous months. IMPS and NETC also increased during the month.

Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS) has continued to see significant growth in FY 2020-21 with 1172 live billers on the platform by the end of September 2020, up from 881 live billers in August 2020. The volume of transactions increased to 23.19 million with value of transactions reaching Rs.3,920.83 crore.

4. **UIDAI**

- i) A new service "Order Aadhaar PVC Card" has been launched on 25.09.2020 for residents at nominal charge of Rs.50 per card. Aadhaar PVC card is durable and convenient to carry. All forms of Aadhaar (Aadhaar letter, e-Aadhaar and mAadhaar and Aadhaar card) are equally valid. The resident has the choice to use any of these forms of Aadhaar issued by UIDAI.
- 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 September 2020, two workshops were conducted over Video Conference (VC) for State Government of Rajasthan and Uttarakhand and around 110 officers attended these workshops.

5. ICT Grand Challenge: Smart water supply measurement & monitoring system

The Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY) in partnership with National Jal Jeevan Mission (NJJM), Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti has announced to develop a 'Smart water supply measurement and monitoring system' via an ICT Grand Challenge. The aim of this ICT Grand Challenge is to develop innovative, modular, and cost-effective solution called "Smart water supply measurement and monitoring system" to be deployed at the village / semi-rural / semi-urban levels. The system would collect and facilitate centralised monitoring of data.

The Indian Tech start-ups, MSMEs, Companies, LLPs registered in India under Companies Act can apply for challenge. The application for participating in the challenge is available https://meitystartuphub.in/.

6. National Informatics Centre

i) **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 also augments the COVID-19 initiatives of the Government in proactively reaching out and informing the users of the app regarding risks, best practices and relevant advisories pertaining to the containment of COVID-19.

More than 155 million users are using Aarogya Setu App till 30.09.2020. The Aarogya Setu App has helped to identify 81 lakh citizens who may be at a potential risk through Bluetooth contact tracing. The citizens are advised further medical intervention and quarantine steps as necessary.

ii) eDaakhil Portal

'E-Daakhil' Portal (edaakhil.nic.in) was launched on 7th September, 2020 for National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (NCDRC). The portal has been developed by NIC under the CONFONET scheme of Dept. of Consumer Affairs. It empowers consumers by facilitating them to file online complaints to Consumer Commissions at District, State & National level. It also enables consumers to file a new Consumer Complaint (CC), First Appeal (FA) and Revision Petition (RP) online.

7. **DigiLocker**

35 lakhs Unique Disabilities Identification (UDID) card and Disability certificates are available now on Digilocker. Now electronic Disability certificate can be verified and shared for different benefits for the person with disabilities

I. Important developments under MeitY's Schemes:

- As on 30th September, 2020 total number of Aadhaar generated (Live) are 126.44 crore against the 'projected population 2020' of 137.05 crore. Aadhaar saturation (Projected Population 2020) across India stands at 89.12%.
- Total number of e-Services registered in eTaal till 30th September, 2020 is 3,894.

Minimum Government, Maximum Governance

Jeevan Pramaan

The Digital Life Certificates (DLCs) generated till September, 2020 are 358.10 lakh and DLCs generated in the month of September, 2020 are 96,470.

MyGov

MyGov has 850 discussion themes and 978 tasks. Around 1.39 crore people have registered on the Platform.

Open Government Data Platform (OGD) India

Around 4.18 lakh resources have been contributed under 8,736 catalogs and 2,116 Visualizations and 52,053 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 in the e-SamikSha portal under the 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 du	Total No. of e files created during
September, 2020	September, 2020
6	755

VII. Status of Public Grievances:

No. of cases disposed during the mo September, 2020	No. of Public Grievances pending at the end of September, 2020
1059	447

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 (NGoG) 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: 560 ii.Total number of Web applications: 522 iii.Total number of Mobile applications: 38

iv.Number of Central Ministries/Departments/Agencies: 29

v.Number of States/UTs: 19