

Aadhaar based PoS terminals

392. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the target of introducing 20 lakh Aadhaar-based PoS (Point of Sale) terminals by September, 2017, as announced in the Union Budget 2017-18, has been met;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the total number of Aadhaar-based PoS terminals introduced from April, 2017 to September, 2017 and till June, 2018?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The deployment of 20 Lakh Aadhaar-based PoS (Point of Sale) terminals is still under process. Presently 5,50,192 Aadhaar-based PoS (Point of Sale) machines have been installed.

(c) As reported by Department of Financial Services, this delay is due to constraints in supply of PoS machines.

(d) The status of deployment of Aadhaar-based PoS machines is as below:

Duration	Deployment Status
April 2017-September 2017	49,056
October 2017-June 2017	5,50,192

Digigaon programme

393. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government will digitize 700 villages in the country under its DigiGaon Programme by the year end;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Common Services Centres are working in 1.83 lakh Gram Panchayats as of now; and