

CHAPTER XVII**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY IN TEXTILES**

To create transparency and accountability in the governance with effectiveness and efficiency in delivering the services, Ministry has taken various initiatives by integrating ICT in day-to-day functioning. Latest ICT infrastructure and services are established in the Ministry and its attached /subordinate offices. Efforts are being made to extend it to the field level offices to enhance the domain of the services. Web enabled portals for Handicrafts Sector, Monitoring Systems for Schemes and Projects and Computer based system for Appellate Cases are some of the major initiatives taken in the current year.

The National Informatics Centre (NIC) has been giving full-fledged technical support in developing and maintaining the IT infrastructure and net work services along with implementing various information systems /analytical tools for usage at various levels of management.

IT Infrastructure

The LAN connectivity has been extended to various levels of officers and sections for improving the services. For that reason additional Hardware, Software and Network equipments were provided at various locations as per the need. Vari-

ous initiatives have been taken to ensure the security of net work and systems.

Implementation of E-Governance

The Economic Research and Market Intelligence Unit (ERMIU) is providing an integrated interface for collection and dissemination of Information to Trade and Industry through a dedicated web site (<http://texmin.nic.in/ermiudel/>). Intranet of the Ministry has been upgraded with basic information about the Ministry and the Industry along with various database applications like Monitoring Prices of Textiles item, Sickness in the Cotton Textiles Industry, Production of Yarn/Cloth etc. Databases on Export/Import of Textile Items, Man Made Fibre Industry, and Jute Industry are also operationalised. Employee Self Service (ESS) Applications like Salary Slip on request, Leave details and down loadable forms are incorporated in the Intranet.

The latest information on the Policies, Plans, Budgets, Schemes, Acts, Notifications, Archives of documents and information on initiatives taken by the Ministry are made available on the web site of the ministry (<http://texmin.nic.in>).

IT implementation in other organization

Attached and subordinate offices under





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the Ministry are also upgraded their IT infrastructure as per the requirement. These offices had enhanced their respective web sites on more users centric. Various application forms required by the public for submitting the proposal under different schemes are also provided on the site for downloading. Monitoring systems on both internal and financial aspects are developed and systems for monitoring the proposal of various schemes/ projects are

also developed and made operationalised. More web based applications/ dynamic queries on Textiles data are incorporated. To disseminate the information at the gross root level, field offices are equipped with Internet and Email facility. Reorientation courses for the purpose are also planned and to be organized for officials to deliver the services more effectively.

