

Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA)

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Government of India launched the **restructured** Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) of Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) for implementation from 01.04.2018 to 31.03.2022

Aim

Strengthening Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) for achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with main thrust on convergence with Mission Antyodaya and emphasis on strengthening PRIs in the 117 Aspirational districts.

Key features

- The scheme has programmatic **focus for phased saturation mode on ensuring basic** orientation training for the Elected Representatives of Panchayats, **within six months of their election** and refresher trainings within 2 years.
- RGSA will have **thrust for SHG-PRI convergence** to ensure effective community mobilisation and greater public ownership of flagship programs of the Govt.
- Use of e-governance and technology driven solutions at Panchayat level will be increased to attain administrative efficiency, improved service delivery, and greater accountability.

The scheme consists of Central and State Components. The Central component comprises;

The state components are;

- National level activities viz. National Plan for Technical Assistance (NPTA) including NPMU, collaboration with academic institutions/ institutions of excellence including NIRD&PR, Hyderabad for various activities of CB&T for PRIs
- Mission Mode Project (MMP) on e-Panchayat and
- Incentivization of Panchayats

State components

The State component relates to activities to be undertaken by State Governments for CB&T and other activities for strengthening of Panchayats viz

- Capacity Building & Training
- Training infrastructure and HR support for training
- Strengthening of Gram Sabhas in PESA areas
- Distance Learning Facility via SATCOM
- Support for Innovations
- Technical support to PRIs
- Financial Data and Analysis Cell
- Panchayat Buildings, e-enablement of Panchayats
- Project-based funding for economic development and income enhancement
- IEC and PMU.

Fund sharing

The sharing pattern for the State component is in the ratio of 60:40 except NE and Hilly States where Central and State sharing is in the ratio of 90:10. For all UTs, Central share is 100%.