Raigarh: Extending IT to Masses

The cultural capital of Chhattisgarh, having a glorious historical background, Raigarh is the land of a music legend 'King Chakradhar Singh' who was a maestro of Tabla and Kathak and is the founder of famous Raigarh Gharana of Kathak. The district is rich in minerals like coal, quartz and dolomite. It is fast changing into an industrial hub with Steel, Power and Sponge iron plants. Raigarh is also known for Kosa (a type of fine silk).

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SINCE its establishment in 1988, NIC District Centre, Raigarh has played a major role in IT spread across the district. It has provided technical support in field of IT and eGovernance to various departments in the district and has extensively contributed towards project development, implementation of various National and State level IT projects and capacity building. Over the years, NIC has become synonymous to IT for the district administration and other departments. The district administration has shown its appreciation by awarding NIC Officials on numerous occasions. Some of the major projects implemented by NIC Raigarh include

Computerization of Paddy Procurement
(http://www.cg.nic.in/khadya/):
This award winning project of the state government was successfully implemented in the district Raigarh. The application helps the Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Protection Department in monitoring paddy procurement, public distribution system, ration card database, fair price shop database etc. There is an online module for registration of mills and provides a direct interface to the farmers to interact with the government. The data is uploaded from the district through a web enabled program on regular basis and the farmers are issued computer generated cheques for their produce
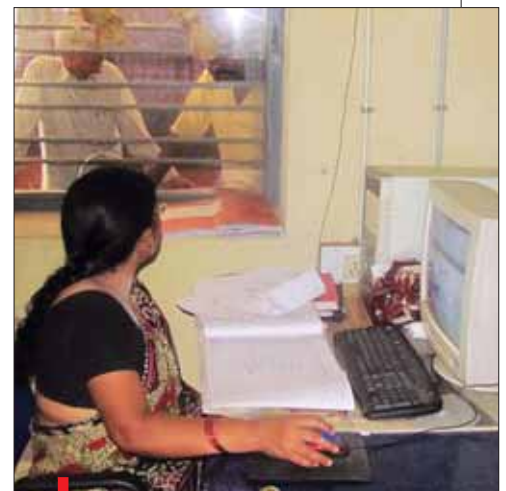
Treasury Computerization
(http://cg.nic.in/ekosh/):
e-Kosh is another important project implemented successfully in the district. The district has four sub-treasuries apart from district treasury. The main feature of the project is online bill passing through the central server, kept at directorate of treasuries. The other features are payments, printing of cheques, receipts, deposit accounts, work accounts, printed cash book, budget allotment, electronic record keeping of previous years etc.

e-Payroll
(http://cg.nic.in/ePayroll/):
The project was recently implemented in the district especially to speed up the disbursement of salaries of government employees within the district. The database of all the employees, in service, has been created and all Drawing & Disbursing Officers are electronically submitting their pay bills to treasury via a web enabled application. The treasury officer transfers employees' salaries electronically to their bank account. This has reduced the cheque collection and deposit time to a great extent facilitating the officials.

Treasury employee at work using e-Kosh

RTO Computerization: The vehicle registration project VAHAN and Driver's license project SARATHI have been implemented successfully in Raigarh. Besides easing out the Registration and Licensing process the data is regularly transmitted to State and National level through VPN over Broadband connectivity.

Land Record Computerization (http://cg.nic.in/cglrc/):

This project named BHUIYAN is to facilitate land owners to get computer generated neat and clean Record-of-Rights (RoR). Implemented in all tehsil offices, the project has accelerated the RoR generation, mutation process, preparation of Khasra (P-ii), Khatauni (B-1) village level reports. The complete land records data of the district data is available online, allowing the citizens and land owners to view ownership information through a web enabled software. The feedback option of the web application provides facility to the citizen to register their suggestions/complaints regarding correctness of data and getting solutions from the concerned officials.

NATIONAL LEVEL PROJECTS

e–Panchayat: The ePanchayat project has been implemented in all the blocks of the district including district panchayat. The three important modules PRIASOFT, Plan Plus & MGNREGA have been implemented.

AGMARKNET (http://agmarknet.nic.in/) –

The agriculture marketing network software is in effective use in the district. There are 5 Krishi Upaj Mandis in the district using the software and transmitting the price and quantity data of different commodities to AGMARKNET portal.

CONFONET (http://confonet.nic.in/) –

The project is implemented in District Consumer Forum. The project facilitates all the functions such as case filing, cause list generation, upload cause list on national portal, pending and disposal status of consumer cases, judgment filing and judgment search etc. With continuous support of NIC Raigarh the staff is now fully trained to use the software.

TECHNICAL AND INFRASTUCTURE SUPPORT

Support during Elections – NIC Raigarh has been providing best IT support during general assembly and local elections. The activities include polling party formation, randomized booth allocation, counting party formation, generation of different counting proformas, and transmission of data to ECI, State Election Commission and Doordarshan.

2011 Census - Recently the Census work was supported by NIC district centre. Whole district census data has been compiled at district level. A workshop was organized for all officers and data entry operators engaged in census work. After necessary compilation the data was transmitted timely to state and national census offices. The district secured second position in the state for fast and accurate compilation and transmission of data.

Networking: Realizing that success of any project lies mostly on the availability of reliable Network connectivity, NIC Raigarh has established LAN comprising forty nodes connecting important offices within the collectorate. Apart from 34 Mbps leased line, it has also provided VSAT based connectivity to all the blocks, treasury and sub treasuries. Video conferencing is another important facility provided by NIC in the district through which pub-

Staff at RTO capturing Biometrics for issuance of licenses

lic grievances are being redressed by General Administration Department of the state. Monthly meetings of various departments are also conducted everyday through Video conferencing.

NIC Raigarh has been putting its best efforts to extend the benefits of ICT to the common people living across the district. It is trying hard to live up to the expectations of the people as well as the district administration. With its continued dedication and efforts it has become an invaluable partner of the district administration as far as bridging the gap between Citizen and the Government is concerned. NIC, Raigarh's team is fully prepared to meet the new challenges both in terms of technology and management and is committed to serve the people of the district through IT.

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