

Press note

Andhra Pradesh has got 5 awards (one silver, one gold and 3 platinum awards) in various categories of DATAQUEST -CMR E-READINESS AWARDS-2013. These awards are being given to the states since 2005 as a means to evaluate and measure the relative performance of the central and state governments on a range of government service delivery and quality of life issues that effect the common citizen of India on day to day basis



1.Andhra Pradesh has bagged **Silver award** in the overall rankings of the states with respective of ‘**overall planning, implementation and outcomes generated from their IT - Policy initiatives, administrative reforms and rollout of e-Gov Programmes**’.

2.Andhra Pradesh has got **platinum award** for “**highest utilization levels of State Data Centre (SDC) in the shortest possible time**” in the country.

3.Andhra Pradesh has got **gold award** in the subject of “**Number and Scope of e-Governance Programs rolled out**” among all the states in the country.

Andhra Pradesh is one state in the country which rolled out multiple e-Gov initiatives with the objective of creating a positive impact on citizens and stake holders in diverse fields.

4.Andhra Pradesh bagged one more **platinum award** in the field of “**Volume of Electronic Transactions**” for availing e-Gov services among the states in the country.

5. Andhra Pradesh also bagged one more **platinum award** in the discipline of “**Overall in take capacity of Engineering and Technology Institutions**”. This award particularly given for the e-readiness of the state to implement e-Gov reforms and encourage participation by the local population particularly by youth and women, in taking up careers in the technology industry is directly proportional to the capacity and quality of its engineering and technology institutions.

Sri Sanjay Jaju, IAS, Secretary, ITE & C Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh and Sri M. M. Nayak, I.A.S., Director (ESD-Mee Seva) received the awards in a ceremony organized at New Delhi on Aug 29, where IT Experts from across the nation were present.

The Secretary, IT and Director - ESD have informed that under the visionary guidance of Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Nallari Kiran Kumar Reddy and Hon'ble Minister for IT, Government of Andhra Pradesh Sri Ponnala Lakshmaiah, IT services have been made available to all the people of State and for which the State has been conferred with the awards.