In order to provide benefit to all sections of the society under e-governance program, Ministry has taken a lead by integrating Information Communication Technology (ICT) in the delivery of various services to Textiles sector. Efficient ICT infrastructure is established in the Ministry and Attached/Subordinate offices to achieve the transparency and accountability in day-to-day functioning. Moreover, infrastructure is being extended to various Field level offices as per requirement. Various in-house applications like System for monitoring of file movement, System for monitoring various Schemes in Handloom and Handicrafts, etc. are implemented in the Ministry and respective offices during the current year.

National Informatics Centre (NIC), Department of Information Technology, Ministry of Communications & Information Technology is providing full-fledged technical support in developing and maintaining the ICT infrastructure and network services along with implementing various information systems/analytical tools for usage at various levels of management.

ICT Infrastructure

At the level of officers and sections, ICT infrastructure is strengthened to facilitate the automation in their day-to-day work. Additional Hardware, Software and Network equipments were provided at various locations as per their need. Network Security, Virus Scanners and Software Patch management systems are enhanced to provide efficient and smooth Internet services on LAN to all the users of the Ministry.

Implementation of E-Governance

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/). Various MIS applications like Monitoring Prices of Textiles items, Sickness in the Cotton Textiles Industry, Production of Yarn/Cloth etc are available on the ERMIU web site along with databases of Man Made Fibre, Jute, Silk, Export & Import of textile items. Latest information on the Policies, Plans, Budget, 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).

Intranet of the Ministry has been upgraded by linking various in-house applications on Employee Self Service (ESS) like Salary slip, GPF statement, Leave details, TAX
calculations etc. More over all essential
downloadable forms are made available
on the intranet.

**ICT implementation in other organization**

Attached and subordinate offices under
the Ministry have also upgraded their ICT
infrastructure as per the requirement with
sophisticated LAN. These offices had
enhanced their respective web sites to
become more user centric. Various
application forms required by the public
or Trade community for submitting the
proposal under different schemes are also
provided on the site for downloading. To
disseminate the information at the grass
root level, field offices are equipped with
Internet and Email facility. Reorientation
courses for the purpose are also organized
for officials to operate and deliver the
services more effectively.