Since its establishment in 2002, New-Delhi based non-profit **Digital Empowerment Foundation (DEF)** has been working to connect the un-reached and underserved communities of India. With the belief in the power to “Inform, Communicate and Empower”, DEF aims to find sustainable digital solutions to overcome information poverty among rural and marginalised communities in backward and remote districts across India’s wide geography.

**Access & Infrastructure**
- We establish village-level community hubs to provide digital skills, digital services, digital library and access to the Internet.

**Education & Empowerment**
- We introduce ICT tools in teaching and learning process for capacity building and skill development.

**Governance & Citizen Services**
- We enable access to government schemes, services and entitlements to strengthen citizen rights.

**Markets & Social Enterprises**
- We introduce digital innovations in value chain to enable business growth and empower local entrepreneurs and artisans.

**Knowledge Hub & Network**
- We myth, identify and promote innovators who use digital innovations for rural development.

**Research & Advocacy**
- We believe access to technical and policy insights that encourages new opportunities.

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**Tribal Communities**
- Minority Communities
- Backward Communities
- Individuals/Households

**Panchayats**
- Schools
- Aanganwadi
- Health Centres
- Self-help Groups
- Small Enterprises
- Post Offices
- Artisan Clusters

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**We aim to reach all 272 backward districts of India to digitally enable marginalised and underserved communities and bring them out of information poverty and empower them with digital tools and technology to improve their lives.**

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**Numbers:**
- **22 States**
- **100 Districts**
- **345 Locations**

**50,00,000**
- Digitally Empowered

**25,00,000**
- Women Digitally Enabled

**5,00,000**
- People Availed Entitlements

**20,000**
- Artisans Digitally Empowered

**15,000**
- Trained in Digital Content Creation & Dissemination

**8,000**
- Digital Innovations Documented

**6,000**
- NGOs Digitally Enabled

**500**
- Gram Sabha Online

**300**
- Digital Resource Centres Set Up