

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:242  
ANSWERED ON:06.12.2000  
I.T. YATRA  
VINAY KUMAR SORAKE

**Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the working Group on I.T. for the masses has recommended to make computer literacy an essential requirement for a Government job;
- (b) if so, the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the working Group had also recommended that I.T. literacy level be linked to rating of the Confidential Reports as an incentive for promotions; and
- (d) if so, the status of `I.T. Yatra` under the I.T. Awareness Campaign launched recently?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN)

(a),(b),(c) and (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.242 FOR 06-12-2000 REGARDING YATRA

(a),(b),(c) and (d): Ministry of Information Technology had set up a Working Group on IT for Masses which submitted its report on 29.7.2000. This Working Group has made a number of recommendations/suggestions including making IT Literacy compulsory for recruitment to Government services and organising of IT Yatras. The Working Group has not made any specific recommendation linking I.T. literacy level to rating in the Confidential Reports as an incentive for promotions. No final decisions have been taken on the various recommendations that the report of the Working Group contains.