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DEVELOPMENT OF SMART CARD

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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have decided to set up a committee to examine the issue relating to development of smart cards;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the objectives of the committees; and
- (d) the time by which the committee is likely to submit its report?

Answer

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- (a): A Committee has been set-up to formulate common Standards for Multi Application Smart Cards.
- (b) and (c): The Composition and Terms of Reference of the Committee are as per Annexure.
- (d): The evolution and definition of standards is a continuing process. The first version is expected by mid 2002.