

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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INTERNET WORM

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `Worm attack makes Net Crawl` as reported in the Hindustan Times dated January 27, 2003;

(b) if so, whether the virus in Internet services has caused losses to the Government;

(c) if so, the details to this regard;

(d) whether the Government have taken any steps to tide over the situation;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SU THIRUNAVUKKARASAR)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): No, Sir.

(c): Does not arise.

(d) and (e): In order to combat the threats of computer virus and worm, a growing number of solutions / products, are being used.

(f): Does not arise.