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JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN IT SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

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- (a) whether a large number of Information Technology Professionals are going abroad every year;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to create opportunities for information technology professionals in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. For better economic prospects, Indian Software companies and technical workers undertake onsite projects and jobs for overseas companies in industrialized and developing countries to meet their requirements and execute specific projects.

(c): Following steps are taken to utilize the services of trained IT Professionals in the country :

- Providing world class infrastructure including data communications at strategic locations in the country. Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), which provides 'Single Window Services' and Data Communications services to the software exporters, has set up 30 new STPs since 1999 and thereby bringing the total number of STPs to 39.

- These STP offer facilities at competitive costs for the industry to set up operations for export of software and services. This generates lot of jobs for IT professionals in India itself. Various measures of Policy have been taken to attract Call Centre and Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) in India which engages the IT professionals in gainful employment within India.