

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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UPGRADATION OF INFOTECH SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Military Engineer Services (MES) has sought assistance of the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited to upgrade its Infotech System infrastructure;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any agreement has been signed in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (e): Military Engineer Services (MES) is in the process of establishing a Wide Area Network (WAN) for all its Chief Engineers, Command Works Engineers and Garrison Engineers spread all over the country. The Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) was requested to assist in the upgradation of Infotech System infrastructure of MES by providing technical expertise and initial start up services. In this regard a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been signed between the ONGC and the MES on 26th April 2006. As per the MOU, the ONGC shall provide the following services to MES for their Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) implementation:

- (i) Project Management Services for SAP (System Application and Products for data processing) solution based ERP implementation in MES.
- (ii) Hosting Services in their existing Data Centre for MES Development Landscape ERP solution.
- (iii) Post implementation/Helpdesk Support for the ERP system.

These consultancy services are being provided by ONGC free of cost.