GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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

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(a) whether the Director, Information and Relations of Himachal Pradesh has sent any proposal to the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Government of India, New Delhi for clearance of the welfare programme under heading `Introduction of Information Technology for Public awareness in Himacnhal Pradesh` to provide information to the farmers of Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the further action taken on it;

(c) if not, the reasons for keeping it pending till date; and

(d) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken on it?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. The Department of Information Technology received a proposal from Government of Himachal Pradesh for `Introduction of Information Technology for Public Awareness in Himachal Pradesh` seeking recommendations for financial assistance under Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA) Programme through the Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Government of India.

Department of Information Technology gave its recommendations on the above proposal in the month of December 2002 to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh.