

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDED BY IT COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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- (a) the number of employment opportunities provided by the IT companies in the country including Himachal Pradesh during the last three years and current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the said companies have predicted more job opportunities in near future;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT)

(a) to (c): As per National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM), the data relating to employment levels (directly employed by the IT/ITES industry) in this industry for the last three years is as under:

Financial Year (FY)	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
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Total Employee Head Count	20 lakhs	22 lakhs	22.90 lakhs
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Net additional Employment created in FY	3.80 lakhs	2 lakhs	0.90 lakhs
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The IT/ITES industry in India is expected to continue to demonstrate a growth trajectory in the near future in both the exports and domestic markets. NASSCOM estimates the growth in the additional employment generation in the IT/ITES sector in the near term as under:

Financial Year	2010-11	2011-12
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Head Count additions	Approx. 2 lakhs	Approx. 2 to 2.25 lakhs
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IT/ITES employment data is not being maintained State-wise.

(d): The IT/ITES industry has remained a net hirer in 2009-10. A number of IT/ITES SEZs are coming up in the country which would further generate employment in the sector. The Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry has also amended and liberalized its guidelines for setting up SEZs in Tier II and Tier III cities.