

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

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ELECTRONIC HARDWARE EQUIPMENTS

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

- (a) whether the Government plans to strengthen domestic capabilities of the electronic hardware manufactures;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken in this regard so far;
- (c) whether the Planning Commission has recommended a policy framework for granting preferential access to domestic manufactures in the procurement of electronic equipment by the Government;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Steps taken by the Government to strengthen domestic capabilities of the electronics hardware manufacturers are at Annexure-I and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard are at Annexure-II.

(c): A Committee comprising of Chairman, National Manufacturing Competitiveness Council (NMCC) and Adviser to Prime Minister on Public Information Infrastructure & Innovation, among others, deliberated on the issues relating to manufacture of electronic hardware including telecom equipment. The Chairman, NMCC and Adviser to Prime Minister submitted their recommendations to the Prime Minister on 14.9.2010. One of the five key recommendations of the Committee is to provide preferential access to `Indian Electronics Products`/ `Manufactured-in-India Electronics Products` for all government procurements and procurement by Government Licensees, PSUs etc.

(d): The matter is under consideration of Government.