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

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a new category of Generic Top Level Domain name application procedure for Brands, Communities and Cities in the country ;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the manner in which this new application procedure will help the country; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

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

(a), (b), (c) and (d) : Internet Corporation for assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), a global body managing internet names and numbers, has initiated the process of introduction of new generic top level domains for brands, communities and cities. This will help increase competition and choice for customers in the Internet's addressing system. The application round for this process will begin on 12th of January, 2012 for a period of 3 months.