

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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EMPLOYEES RENDERED JOBLESS IN I.T. SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) the number of employees rendered jobless in the Information Technology (IT) Sector during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(b) the number of layoff cases registered with the Central Labour Commissioners during the said period, State-wise and year-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b): As per the National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM), the number of persons employed in the Information Technology-BPO sector during each of the last three years and the current year are as under:-

Year Number (in lakh)

2006 12.93  
2007 16.21  
2008 20.10  
2009 22.37

The above figures do not include employees in the hardware sector.

The industry continued to be a net hirer of employees.

As per available information, no job loss or lay off has been reported in I.T. establishments under Central sphere i.e. National Informatics Centre (NIC).