GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:248 ANSWERED ON:07.12.2009 INCENTIVES TO STPI UNITS Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any requests from some of the States to give special incentives for development of the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) units in the Information Technology (IT) sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard to promote STPI units in the country?

Answer

MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(ANDIMUTHU RAJA)

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 248 FOR 07.12.2009 REGARDING INCENTIVES TO STPI UNITS.

(a) to (c) Department of Information Technology, Government of India has not received any request from any State to give special incentives for development of the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) units in the Information Technology (IT) sector. Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) has set up 51 STPI Centres across the country and offers a wide range of facilities and services to support the IT industry. Over a period of time, STPI has emerged as a single point of contact for the IT industry. The Government has extended the Income Tax benefits under Sections 10A and 10B of the Income Tax Act for STP Units by one more year i.e. for the financial year 2010-11.