

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEMAND FOR IT PROFESSIONAL  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is steep decline in the demand of IT professionals both in domestic as well as in international market;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore;
- (c) whether some foreign computer software and service association including of U.K. have invited Indian Software Industry for entering into partnership in e-commerce, banking, pharmaceuticals and telecom sector;
- (d) if so, whether Indian IT professionals would be offered employment in such countries; and
- (e) the steps the Government is taking to see that demand picks up in the sector and IT professionals are suitably employed in domestic and international IT industry?

**Answer**

MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

- (a) and (b): According to the National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM), the Indian IT-ITES industry continues to be a net hirer of personnel. During the FY 2014-15, the employment by Indian IT-ITES industry is estimated at 3.5 Million with a net addition of about 2,30,000 employees over the previous year.
- (c) and (d): NASSCOM is neither aware of such invitation from U.K. or any other country as well as the proposal that includes employment offerings for IT professionals. However, the Indian IT businesses are engaged in tapping global markets for their products and services. The IT industry has been catalyzing business transformation for global clients through its established global delivery chain across 78 countries.
- (e): Government initiatives such as Digital India Programme coupled with spending on e-Governance projects and the continual growth of IT-ITES exports from the country is expected to generate greater demand for IT Professionals.