GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5897 ANSWERED ON:29.04.2015 IMPORT OF ELECTRONIC AND TELECOM EQUIPMENT Kashyap Shri Virender

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

(a) whether a large chunk of electronics and telecom equipments is being imported from China:

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for such massive import from China:

(c) the details of import/export of telecom equipments for the last three years and the current year, country-wise:

(d) whether the Government has any plan to become self sufficient is electronic and telecom manufacturing under the 'Make in India"; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard so far?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. India's import of electronics and telecom equipments from China, as per the details provided by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCIS) during the preceding years, are given in Annexure 'A'. As per the details available at the website of DeitY, India's estimated Electronic market size in 2014-15 is at US\$ 166.8 Billion, while India's electronic manufacturing in 2014-15 is estimated at around US\$ US\$ 114 Billion. The rest of the demand is met through import from various countries. China is one of the largest manufacturer and exporter of electronics equipment at competitive prices and is Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) to a number of brands. Therefore, huge quantities of electronics goods are imported from China into India.

(c): As per the data available with the Government, the details of import/ export of telecom equipment from countries in last three years are given at Annexure 'B' and Annexure 'C'.

(d) and (e): Government has taken several steps to promote the investment in electronic manufacturing in the country which are placed at Annexure 'E'.