GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

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MIGRATION OF IT PROFESSIONALS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of information technology experts are migrating to foreign countries every year; and
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and action taken by the Government to generate employment opportunities for the information technology experts in the country?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): The Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY), Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Government of India do not maintain any data on the number of IT experts who have migrated to foreign countries. The National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) also does not track such data. However, according to NASSCOM, the Indian IT-ITES industry continues to be a net hirer and employs about 3.1 million professionals directly. During the FY 2013-14, the Indian IT-ITES industry is estimated to have contributed to additional employment of 1, 66, 000 persons. Considering the progressive growth of IT-ITES industry over the past years, there is significant potential for increased employment opportunities.