Title: Statement by Minister regarding status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Ninth Report of Standing Committee on Information Technology

12.17 ½ hrs.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

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MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Jaipal Reddy, item number 6. Mr. Reddy, if it is a long Statement, then you can lay it on the Table of the House.

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): Sir, should I read the statement or lay it on the Table of the House?

MR. SPEAKER: Actually, it depends on the length of the Statement to be made by you. Please read the first part of it.

* SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: I am making this statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Ninth Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology (14 th Lok Sabha) 2004-2005 pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, in pursuance of direction 73A of the hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha issued *vide* Lok Sabha Bulletin – Part II, dated September 01, 2004.

The Ninth Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology (14th Lok Sabha) was presented to the Lok Sabha on 14.12.2004. The Report relates to the action taken by the Government on the recommendations / observations of the Committee contained in the Fifty Seventh Report (13th Lok Sabha) on the "Working of Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP)'.

In the Ninth Report, the Committee made 10 recommendations in all. The Action Taken Notes on these recommendations / observations have been furnished to the Committee on 15.07.2005 (in English version) and on 22.07.2005 (in Hindi

* Also placed in Library. See No. LT 2486/05 version). These recommendations mainly pertain to advance planning of the entire publicity programme, ERC Recommendation with regard to release of advertisements, reclassification of newspapers and DAVP advertisements to local newspapers of J&K.

The present status of implementation of the various recommendations and observations made by the Committee is indicated in the Annexure to my Statement, which is laid on the Table of the House. I would request that this may be considered as read.

