

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 905
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.12.2017

MANUFACTURING OF MOBILE PHONES FOR CREATION OF JOBS

**905. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ:
SHRI T. RATHINAVEL:**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government expects its major new policy of a phased manufacturing programme for mobile phones would create two million jobs and half a billion dollars worth of manufacturing activity in the country over the next five to seven years, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has held discussions with mobile manufacturers in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ALPHONS KANNANTHANAM)

(a): The Phased Manufacturing Programme (PMP) has been notified with the objective of progressively increasing the domestic value addition for establishment of a robust Cellular mobile handsets manufacturing eco-system in India, in consultation with the Industry. As per estimates of the Industry, it is expected that approximately 500 million mobile handsets valued at about Rs. 2,00,000 Crore will be manufactured by the year 2019-20. This is expected to generate approximately 15 lakh jobs by the year 2019-20. Further, it is estimated that mobile handset components manufacturing industry worth Rs. 50,000 Crore will also be set up by the year 2019-20.

(b): Consultations have been held by the Government with the Indian Cellular Association (ICA) and manufacturers of Mobile handsets and components thereof to develop the PMP roadmap and imposing duties, as appropriate, to promote indigenous manufacturing of Mobile handsets and components thereof.
