GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
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MOU WITH NASSCOM

3288.   DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has signed a MoU with NASSCOM to reskill the existing IT professionals and other potential employees;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the main features of this MoU and how the scheme will be implemented?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI K.J. ALPHONS)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with NASSCOM, to collaborate and strengthen their cooperation in the field of skill development particularly with respect to the re-skilling and up-skilling imperative in areas of new and emerging technologies, with Government acting as an enabler/facilitator. Both organizations have agreed to work towards a long-term cooperative mechanism to promote cooperation in skilling, re-skilling and up-skilling to support Industry and other stakeholders in making available to them trained manpower for jobs being created in the new economy. The content of collaboration includes enabling a Skill Development and Continuous Learning Framework whereby, NASSCOM shall endeavour to support MeitY by making available its skill development initiatives that focus on content, evangelism and industry connects, to enable the re-skilling and up-skilling imperative for the Information Technology - Business Process Management (IT-BPM) Industry and related stakeholders in India.

The Indian IT Industry is increasingly looking at new skill-sets and subject matter experts to continue on the evolution growth path. New job roles in areas such as Internet of Things, Artificial Intelligence, Cyber Security, Data Science, Mobile App development, etc are evolving, which is giving rise to a new breed of domain experts. New job roles requiring different skill-sets are appearing and earlier jobs based on older skill-sets are losing their relevance.

Recently, NASSCOM has launched a future skills platform for Business to Business (B2B) skilling of company sponsored IT professionals (http://futureskills.nasscom.in/).

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