

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1191
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POLICY FOR PROMOTION OF SOFTWARE EXPORTS

1191. SHRI G.V.L. NARASIMHA RAO:

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

- (a) the value of software exports from India in the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) the contribution of different States to software exports by units registered in respective States;
- (c) Government's policy for promotion of software exports;
- (d) Government's schemes and incentives to promote software exports and funds released to different States under them;
- (e) the special efforts, if any, made by Government in promoting software exports from tier 2 cities: and
- (f) the special efforts made by the Ministry for development of software exports from Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a): As per National Association of Software & Services Companies (NASSCOM), exports from Indian Information Technology/ Business Process Management (IT/ BPM) sector over the last three years are as under:

S. No.	Financial Year (FY)	Exports (in USD Billion)
1.	2019-20	149
2.	2020-21	152
3.	2021-2022(E)	178

(b): The contribution of different states to software exports by Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) registered units and Special Economic Zone (SEZ) units in the last three financial years are as per Annexure I and II respectively.

(c): There is no such policy.

(d) and (e): The Government has been undertaking steps to promote broad based growth across a wide range of high potential services sectors including Information Technology/Information Technology Enabled Services (IT/ITES). The 'Action Plan for Champion Sectors in Services' to give focused attention to 12 identified Champion Services Sectors, namely, **Information Technology & Information Technology enabled Services**, Tourism & Hospitality Services, Medical Value Travel, Transport & Logistics Services, Accounting and Finance Services, Audio Visual Services, Legal Services, Communication Services, Construction and Related Engineering Services, Environmental Services, Financial Services and Education Services has been approved to support sectoral initiatives of the Nodal Ministries/Departments identified for these sectors.

The Government had also launched Software Technology Park (STP) that is a 100% export-oriented scheme for the development and export of computer software using communication links or physical media and including export of professional services. The unique feature of STP scheme is provisioning of Single-Point Contact Services for the member units enabling them to conduct export operation at a pace commensurate with international practices. The incentives provided under the STP Schemes are as follows:

- Exemptions from payment of duty of customs/integrated tax and compensation cess on imported capital goods
- Refund of GST on procurement of capital goods from DTA
- Import of second-hand capital goods is also permissible
- Domestic Tariff Area (DTA) sale permissible
- Depreciation on computers at accelerated rates up to 100% over 5 years is permissible.
- 100% FDI investment permitted through automatic route

The Government of India's objective is to take up digital opportunities in the smaller cities and towns across the country to create employment opportunities in Information Technology/ Information Technology Enabled Services (IT/ITES) Sector. Toward this objective, a total of 63 centres of STPI has been set up across the country out of which 55 centres are located in Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities.

Government of India in collaboration with National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM) has also initiated a programme titled FutureSkills PRIME (Programme for Re-skilling/Up-skilling of IT Manpower for Employability) aimed at re-skilling/ up-skilling of IT professionals from various cities including tier II and tier III in 10 new/emerging technologies namely Artificial Intelligence, Robotic Process Automation, Augmented/Virtual Reality, Internet of Things, Big Data Analytics, Additive Manufacturing/ 3D Printing, Cloud Computing, Social & Mobile, Cyber Security and Blockchain.

(f): STPI registered units in Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh have contributed ₹ 775.82 Cr for the FY 2021-22 in IT/ ITeS exports.

Annexure I

The State-wise exports from the units registered under STP Scheme for past three years is as below:

Software Exports through STPI registered units (in Crs)			
STATE	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Andhra Pradesh	846.77	883.02	926.12
Assam	22.27	20.66	23.63
Bihar	0.00	0.00	1.56
Chandigarh	573.49	771.41	906.93
Chhattisgarh	86.77	124.90	642.23
Delhi	1,861.34	2,130.00	6,373.15
Goa	136.21	139.10	156.74
Gujarat	3,570.80	4,016.21	5,001.04
Haryana	25,478.77	24,140.46	32,338.99
Himachal Pradesh	5.13	3.66	4.68
Jammu and Kashmir	6.24	6.81	32.85
Jharkhand	14.24	29.57	42.65
Karnataka	1,94,473.38	2,12,085.00	2,58,240.14
Kerala	3,620.47	3,825.74	4,311.43
Madhya Pradesh	756.72	886.49	1,078.80
Maharashtra	91,513.90	1,01,581.40	1,25,684.47
Manipur	0.00	0.00	0.00
Meghalaya	15.00	23.25	34.57
Mizoram	0.00	0.00	0.00
Odisha	2,496.33	2,401.32	2,539.43
Puducherry	341.77	294.73	292.89
Punjab	558.83	813.28	1,118.17
Rajasthan	1,211.87	1,498.50	1,610.58
Sikkim	19.43	18.19	11.39
Tamil Nadu	46,704.16	48,353.19	57,687.20
Telangana	64,525.90	71,574.19	89,846.67
Tripura	0.00	0.00	0.00
Uttar Pradesh	22,118.66	25,642.29	31,312.63
Uttarakhand	137.85	165.95	191.35
West Bengal	7,180.13	7,391.05	8,450.00
Total	4,68,276.44	5,08,820.38	6,28,860.29

Annexure II

The State-wise exports from the units registered under SEZ for past three years is as below:

Software Exports in Rs.Cr			
State	FY19-20	FY20-21	FY21-22
Karnataka	1,05,837	1,11,136	1,37,664
Maharashtra	92,215	99,535	1,11,124
Tamil Nadu	84,035	87,292	1,00,238
Telangana	66,735	72,769	90,771
Uttar Pradesh	19,167	20,019	24,147
Haryana	20,683	19,679	20,158
West Bengal	15,700	15,873	17,468
Kerala	11,297	12,593	15,875
Gujarat	2,467	2,589	3,173
Orissa	1,718	2,164	2,630
Chandigarh	2,597	2,572	2,605
Punjab	1,009	1,265	1,645
Madhya Pradesh	719	953	1,462
Rajasthan	809	880	1,028
Andhra Pradesh	185	320	364
Total	4,25,172	4,49,640	5,30,350
