GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2368 TO BE ANSWERED ON: 30.11.2016

INTERNET OF THINGS

2368. SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working on a policy framework for promoting Internet of Things (IoT) and smart technologies where opportunities would be provided to home-grown players;
- (b) if so, the details of aims and objectives thereof along with the efforts made to attract companies to locate their respective bases;
- (c) the sectors in which the aforementioned policy would be implemented; and
- (d) whether the Government would collaborate with different national and international organization in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI P.P.CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (e): Yes Sir. The Internet of Things (IoT) draft Policy envisages setting up an ecosystem to develop IoT products specific to Indian needs in the domains of agriculture, health, water quality, natural disasters, transportation, security, automobile, supply chain management, smart cities, automated metering and monitoring of utilities, waste management, oil & gas etc. The Policy seeks to achieve its objectives through setting up of IoT laboratories in academic institutes, incubation of start-ups, research and development in IoT applications and development of standards and human resource in IoT.

Government has set up a Centre of Excellence for IoT at Bengaluru in collaboration with National Association of Software and Services Companies(NASSCOM). This Centre has been set up in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode along with Indian as well as Multi National Companies with an outlay of `2195.22 lakh with Government of India contribution of `1077.72 lakh at NASSCOM Bengaluru. The Government of Karnataka has provided space for setting up of this Centre of Excellence at Bengaluru.
