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NATIONAL POLICY ON SOFTWARE

2773.   SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA
SHRI MUDDAHANUME GOWDA:

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

(a)   whether the Government has finalized a National Policy on Software Products to promote talent and contribute bigger share of software products to the global market and if so, the details thereof;

(b)   the extent of growth of software products sector by the next ten years and the worth of IT Industry in the country and its export share in the global market; and

(c)   the details of steps taken to promote creation of sustainable software products with innovations and cutting edge technologies?

ANSWER

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

(a):   No, Madam.

(b):   As per iSPIRT(Indian Software Products Industry Round Table), the global software products industry is at present estimated to be US$ 411 billion and is expected to reach US$ 1.2 trillion by 2025. The revenue of software products industry in India at present is US$ 6.1 billion out of which US$1.9 billion is from exports.

(c):   The Government had initiated a "Technology Incubation and Development of Entrepreneurs" (TIDE) scheme focused to nurture technology start-ups companies. The scheme fosters a culture of collaborative technology research and strong industry-academia interaction including promoting product oriented research and development. The scheme has been implemented at 27 centres and 2 Virtual TIDE centres of institute for higher learning. As a result, 207 start-ups benefited from which 384 entrepreneurs emerged, 2846 jobs created, 74 patents registered, 52 start-ups attracted Venture Capitalists, and 243 products have been developed by these start-ups.
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