GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2957

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CONSULTATION ON IT AND ITES SECTOR

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

- (a) whether the Government has organised a high-level consultation with leaders from IT & ITES sector with a focus on digital financial services and e-commerce and also for developing the roadmap for one trillion dollar digital economy in India; and
- (b) if so, the salient features of the consultation and the outcome thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY) organized a high-level consultation with the industry leaders from IT and ITES sector with focus on digital financial services and e-commerce on 16th June 2017.
- (b): The consultation was conducted for developing the roadmap for One Trillion Dollar Digital Economy in India. The meeting was chaired by Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Hon'ble Union Minister for Electronics & Information Technology and Law & Justice and the industry was represented by leaders of IT-ITES sector and industry associations like Infosys, IBM, Wipro, Google, Microsoft, Mahindra Tech, Intel Corporation, Panasonic India, Indian Private Equity and Venture Capital Association (IVCA), National Payment Corporation of India (NPCI), National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM), Internet and Mobile Association of India (IAMAI) etc. The key discussion areas of the consultation included:
 - Enhancing use of ICT in various sectors such as health, education and financial inclusion.
 - Accelerating employment opportunities
 - Need for innovation to fast track digitization
 - Developing solutions for India and emerging markets by exploring public private partnerships.

The emerging technology areas such as Data Centre/Cloud, Space technologies, Robotics, Augmented Reality, IoT (Internet of Things), Big Data/Business Analytics/data Mining, Cyber Security etc have been identified to drive the growth. For details, please refer release of Press Information Bureau (PIB) available at http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx
