GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1558

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SLOWDOWN IT SECTOR

1558. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

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

- (a) whether the Indian Information Technology (IT) sector is seeing a global slowdown over the last two years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the quantum of jobs affected due to the slowdown;
- (c) the details of the growth of IT sector over the last three years, year-wise;
- (d) whether the IT companies are expected to be laying off workers over the next three years including the current year and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the measures taken by the Government to create new range of digital jobs through 'Digital India' as India moves towards a digital economy?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ALPHONS KANNANTHANAM)

- (a) and (b): No, Sir. The industry is expected to continue to be a net hirer. In FY2016-17, the industry added 170,000 jobs.
- (c): The details of the growth of IT sector over the last three years, yearwise is given as under:

(US\$ in Billion)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17(E)
Exports	97.8	108	117
Domestic	21	22	24
Total	118	130	141
YoY Growth %	11.8	9.1	8.9

(E) = Estimate Source: NASSCOM

- (d): No, Sir.
- (e): The measures taken by the Government are as follows:
 - 1. BPO Promotion Scheme

2. Indirect Employment Generation and Contractual Job Creation under Common Service Centre 2.0 project
