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

- (a) whether the Government is willing to share technology, training expertise and know-how with other nations that face challenges in software services, laying down digital infrastructure and its design capabilities; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of countries which have approached for such technology transfers/assistance?
- (a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. The Government has been providing technology and training expertise to a number of developing and the least developed countries under bilateral and multilateral capacity building programmes. In the last three years, Government has established Centres for Excellence for software training showcasing India's prowess in IT-ITeS in Tanzania, Papua New Guinea, Egypt, Morocco, Palestine, Peru, Ecuador, Panama, Costa Rica. Telemedicine Networks in Armenia, Kyrgyzstan, Digital Library Infrastructure in Bhutan, e-office suite for Sri Lanka and CARICOM Secretariat, Guyana have been deployed. Government has also provided High Performance Computing facilities to a number of countries for education and training. IT professionals from 161 countries have also been trained in advanced ICT technologies under the programme of (i) Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation and (ii) India Africa Forum Summit.

Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Morocco, Mauritius and Bangladesh have approached India for sharing of knowledge and knowhow of the digital infrastructures like digital identity and Digital Locker system.
