GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1204

TO BE ANSWERED ON: 25.07.2018

FREE ANTIVIRUS

1204. SHRI D.S. RATHOD: SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has decided to provide powerful antivirus to the public free of cost to strengthen cyber security in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the modalities finalised therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to involve the private sector in this project; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

(a) to (d): Government has established the Cyber Swachhta Kendra (Botnet Cleaning and Malware Analysis Centre) for detection of systems infected by malware/botnet in the country and to notify, enable cleaning and securing systems of end users to prevent further malware infections. The Centre is working in close coordination and collaboration with Internet Service Providers and Industry. The centre is providing detection of malicious programs and free tools to remove the same for citizens.
