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MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
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BUSINESS IN IT SECTOR

1263. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

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

- (a) whether the business in IT sector has increased manifold;
- (b) if so, the annual increase in IT business on an average in the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether employment opportunities in the said sector have also been generated as per the said increase; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. The IT-BPM sector has grown manifold, according to Industry body NASSCOM (National Association of Software and Services Companies), from revenue of about USD 1.0 Billion in 1980-1990 to about USD 78 Billion in 2000-2010 to about USD 167 Billion in FY 2017-18. The annual increase in IT business on an average in the country during the last three years and the current year is given below:

Year	USD in Billions	Growth
2017-18E	167	~ 8%
2016-17	154	7.8 %
2015-16	143	8.5 %
2014-15	132	8.3%

(c) and (d): Yes, Sir. The industry has generated increased employment opportunity proportionately, NASSCOM estimates that from about 60,000 employees in 1980-1990 to about 3,40,000 in 2000-2010 to about 39,68,000 employees in FY 2017-18. Besides, the Government initiatives such as Common Service Centres (CSCs), BPO Promotion schemes, Electronic Manufacturing, Digital Payments, and Digital Saksharta Abhiyaan have generated over 16 lakh additional jobs over the last two years.
