

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1317
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EMPLOYMENT IN IT SECTOR

1317. SHRI RAM KUMAR SHARMA:

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

- (a) whether new avenues of employment have been explored in the country under the Information Technology industry during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) the details of the growth in quantum of revenue due to increase in employment in IT sector in the last three years?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. The new and emerging technologies such as Data Science, Internet of Things (IoT), and Artificial Intelligence (AI) including Robotic Process Automation and Machine Learning have opened new avenues of employment for the past few years. These are also leading to major re-skilling/ up-skilling of IT professionals by the industry.

The Indian IT-ITeS industry remains net hirer. According to Industry body NASSCOM, the number of total employees in FY2015-16 were nearly 36,90,000. The number of employees have nearly become 39,68,000 in FY 2017-18, an addition of 1,05,000, from 38,63,000 in FY 2016-17. Besides, the Government initiatives such as Common Service Centres (CSCs), BPO Promotion schemes, Electronic Manufacturing, Digital Payments, and Digital Saksharta Abhiyaan have generated over 15 lakh additional jobs over the last two years.

(c): The corresponding growth in quantum of revenue in IT sector in the last three years is as under:

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