

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5339
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 05.04.2023

EXPORT OF SOFTWARE

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

- (a) whether the southern states are accounting for the majority of country's total export of software as per NASSCOM and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Tamil Nadu has been among the top three States in terms of ICT investments and production and has emerged as a hub for software, hardware and R & D information, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the funds released under Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme including the total number of beneficiaries under the said scheme;
- (d) whether the Government is having any special package for Tamil Nadu software industry; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a): Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), an autonomous society of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), has its centres in the five southern states. The exports from STPI registered units in the southern states for the year FY 2021-22 is as under:

- Karnataka: ₹ 2,58,240.14 Cr
- Telangana: ₹ 89,846.67 Cr
- Tamil Nadu: ₹ 57,687.20 Cr
- Kerala: ₹ 4,311.43 Cr
- Andhra Pradesh: ₹ 926.12 Cr

The total exports from STPI registered IT/ITeS units for the year 2021-22 is ₹ 6,28,329 Cr.

(b): There are various policies/scheme of Government of India which have accelerated growth in production, employment generation and investments. Modified Special Incentive Scheme (MSIPS), Scheme for Promotion of Electronics Component and Semiconductor (SPECS) and Production Linked Incentive (PLI) are some of the Schemes that have contributed to rise in electronics production and making India as electronics manufacturing hub for the world. Several large-scale investments in electronics sector are being made by foreign and domestic companies as a consequence of these policies in India including the state of Tamil Nadu where manufacturing facilities have been set up for mobile phones, industrial electronics, computer hardware, etc. Further, Government had launched India BPO Promotion Scheme (IBPS) to promote investment in IT/ITES sector and creation of employment opportunities in small towns/cities in which 227 units have setup BPO/ITES operations in small cities/towns out of which 48 units are in Tamil Nadu.

(c): Till date, INR 879.81 Cr has been released as incentive under PLI Scheme for Large Scale Electronics Manufacturing (LSEM) and there are 32 beneficiaries under the Scheme.

(d) and (e): The Government of India is promoting the software industry in Tamil Nadu through various programmes such as the Software Technology Park of India (STPI), India BPO Promotion Scheme (IBPS), Centre of Excellence in FinTech (FinBlue), iTamil Nadu Technology Hub (iTNT Hub) etc. These programmes promote investment in IT sector, offer access to plug-and-play co-working space, mentorship, venture capital network etc for nurturing deep / emerging tech innovation ecosystem in Tamil Nadu.
