

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5351
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CYBERSECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE

5351. SHRI BASTIPATI NAGARAJU:

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

- (a) the details of the cybersecurity infrastructure established by the Government to protect the data of Central Government institutions, State Government bodies and private data of citizens from hacking and other cyber breaches;
- (b) whether there have been any major cyber breaches in recent years that resulted in or attempted to result in the theft of data and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of remedial and preventive measures undertaken by the Government in response to such breaches;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any audits, inspections or infrastructure checks to test and ensure the integrity and resilience of its digital infrastructure;
- (e) if so, the details thereof including the private entities being collaborated with and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether there are funds allocated to further develop and strengthen digital infrastructure to safeguard and protect sensitive data and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (f): The policies of the Government of India aim to ensure a secure and trustworthy cyberspace. The Government has undertaken various measures to strengthen India's cyber security infrastructure and prevent cyber breaches in the country which, inter alia, includes:

- I. The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) is designated as the national agency for responding to cyber security incidents under the provisions of Section 70B of the Information Technology Act, 2000. CERT-In coordinates incident prevention and response measures with organisations, service providers and sector regulators.
- II. National Cyber Coordination Centre (NCCC) implemented by CERT-In, examines the cyberspace to detect cyber security threats. NCCC shares the information with concerned organisations, state governments and stakeholder agencies for taking action.
- III. Cyber Swachhta Kendra (CSK) is the Botnet Cleaning and Malware Analysis Centre that helps to detect malicious programs and provides free tools to remove the same.

- CSK also provides cyber security tips and best practices for citizens and organisations.
- IV. CERT-In operates an automated cyber threat intelligence exchange platform for sharing tailored alerts with organisations across sectors for proactive threat mitigation.
 - V. The Government has established National Critical Information Infrastructure Protection Centre (NCIIPC) for protection of critical information infrastructure in the country under the provisions of section 70A of the IT Act, 2000.

- VI. National Informatics Centre (NIC) provides Information Technology (IT) backbone support to all Central and State Government bodies. Information security policies and practices, in line with industry standards, are followed by NIC at every level for cyber-attack prevention and data safeguarding.

- VII. CERT-In has empanelled 237 security auditing organisations to support and audit implementation of Information Security Best Practices. A total number of cyber security audits conducted by CERT-In empanelled auditing organizations for Government entities, including State Government and Public Sector entities during last three years are as follows:

Year	Total Audits
2023	9,772
2024	12,176
2025	18,667

- VIII. CERT-In conducts cyber security training programs in collaboration with Industry partners to upskill the cyber security workforce in Government, public and private organizations.
- IX. The budget allocated for strengthening cyber security infrastructure by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) during the last three years is as follows:

Year	Budget
2023-24	Rs. 580 Cr.
2024-25	Rs. 1004 Cr.
2025-26	Rs. 953 Cr.
