

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2141
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PROMOTION OF INDIGENOUS INDUSTRY AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the Indian Software Industry is very much dominated by the foreign companies like IBM and Microsoft etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the export potentials for the software and hardware in India;
- (d) the details of the countries to which these computer software and hardware are likely to be exported alongwith the quantity and value thereof;
- (e) the role of the Government in promoting the indigenous software companies and to promote job opportunities in India; and
- (f) the estimated employment opportunity to be generated in the coming years, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The IT Task Force has set a target of US\$ 50 billion for Software and US\$ 10 billion for hardware for the year 2008.

(d): A Statement is at Annexure.

(e): The thrust of the Government is to create policy ambience for the growth of Indian Software sector and resultant job opportunities and creation of wealth.

(f): There is a potential for creation of 7 million jobs break up being 2.2 million in the software sector and 4.8 million in the hardware sector.

ANNEXURE

Part (C) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question D.No.2141 for 8.3.2000

The data for Hardware and Software export for the year 1998-99 to the major foreign destination is given below:-

DESTINATION YEAR

1998-99 (%)

Software Hardware

North America (USA & Canada) 61 21.78

Australia & New Zealand	2	0.52	
Europe	23	23.21	
Japan	4	7.24	
South East Asia	4	34.90	
West Asia	1.5	8.36	
Rest of the World		4.5	3.99
TOTAL PERCENTAGE		100	100
TOTAL VALUE OF EXPORTS			Rs.10.940 crores