

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SOFTWARE / HARDWARE EXPORTS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Government have formulated any strategy to increase and achieve the software and hardware export target by 2008;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the action plan is likely to be implemented and expected increase in the software/hardware export due to this action plan?

Answer

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

(a), (b) and (c): The action plan which has been drawn up aims at achieving export target of US\$ 60 billion (US\$ 50 billion for software + US\$ 10 billion for hardware) by the year 2008 from a level of US\$ 2.7 billion in 1998-99. Various incentives have been given from time to time and the details in this regard are at Annexure-I. A statement is at Annexure-II giving some of the key initiatives taken by the Ministry of IT for the growth of this sector.