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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Software exports growth rate is expected to go down during the year 2001-2002 in comparison to the previous year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a),(b) and (c): Indications suggest that due to slow down in the US economy, the software exports of on-site services is likely to be affected to some extent. However, out-sourcing of software services by the US companies is likely to go up as the US corporates are looking at means of cutting the costs. On the whole it is expected that the Indian software industry will continue to maintain a healthy growth rate, for software exports.