

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION IN IT
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and New Zealand have signed an agreement of cooperation in the field of Information Technology;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether New Zealand have sought the assistance of India for enacting a law on the lines of Information Technology Act;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reaction of the Government of India thereto?

Answer

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

(a),(b),(c),(d) and (e): No, Sir. However, during the visit of Hon'ble Minister of Information Technology in April, 2001, New Zealand did show interest in the India Information Technology Act. and they are thinking of bringing out a legislation on the lines of this IT Act.

New Zealand has also shown interest in entering into an MOU with Ministry of Information.