

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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FALSE E-MAIL MESSAGE
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of giving false information and creating terror amongst the people through E-Mail has come to the notice of the Government; and

(b) the details of measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): Internet penetration being low and restricted mainly to cities, providing population through e-mail as medium has not acquired a magnitude which can be called alarming; and hence, no intervention is contemplated at this stage.