

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NATIONAL ELECTRONICS IT HARDWARE MANUFACTURING POLICY
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the draft paper on National Electronics/IT Hardware Manufacturing Policy was formulated after wide ranging consultations with Industry and other stake holders;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said policy has since been finalized;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether this policy has the approval of Manufacturing Sector Competitiveness Council;
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to boost the hardware sector to generate substantial revenue?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The salient features as proposed in the draft paper are given in Annexure-I.

(c), (d), (e) & (f): The recommendations pertaining to fiscal measures made in the draft paper have been acted upon. The promotional and other measures contained in the draft paper are also applicable to other manufacturing sectors. The draft paper has been referred to the National Manufacturing Competitive Council(NMCC) set up to promote the manufacturing in India and to provide a continuing forum for policy dialogue on this subject. The NMCC has constituted a Sub-group on IT Hardware sector. The said Sub-group is having discussions with the stakeholders.

(g): Steps taken by Government to boost the hardware sector are given in Annexure-II.