

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

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CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE FIELD OF IT

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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has established/proposes to establish any co-operation with other countries in the field of information technology;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India is emerging as an attractive market for providing services relating to information technology;

(d) if so, the names of the countries who are willing to be benefited from the expertise of India in this field; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b): The Department of Information Technology is regularly interacting with the foreign Governments and agencies and our Missions abroad for establishing synergies between the countries for bilateral cooperation in the IT sector and also for providing technical assistance to other countries for development of IT projects. In pursuant, India has signed MoUs with several countries, who have come forward for bilateral cooperation.

(c) : Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e): The major beneficiaries of expertise & cost competitiveness of India in the field of IT are USA, EU member countries, Japan, Korea etc.