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LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF SUB MARINE STATION IN KOLKATA
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to set up a submarine station near Kolkata to provide better access to internet; and
- (b) if so, the time by which the said station is likely to be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

- (a) All International Long Distance Operators are free to choose location of submarine station depending upon techno-economic feasibility. So far Government has not received any proposal for setting up of a submarine cable landing station near Kolkata from any operator.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.