

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

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

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- (a) whether IT hardware worth Rs.15,750 crore is expected to be imported in the current financial year;
- (b) if so, the reasons for the imports;
- (c) the target fixed for domestic production for the next year; and
- (d) the steps proposed to be taken to increase indigenous manufactures?

**Answer**

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

(a), (b), (c) and (d): As per import data provided by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, IT hardware worth Rs. 6664.97 crore was imported during 2004-05 and Rs. 3722.16 crore was imported during April to September, 2005. Since parts of computers such as microprocessors and storage devices are not being manufactured in the country, these have to be imported. The target for domestic production of IT hardware for 2006-07 is Rs. 10,000 crore. The steps taken by the Government to promote indigenous manufacturing of IT hardware is given in the Annexure.