

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

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POLICY ON CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

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- (a) Whether India does not have a policy on critical infrastructure protection and proper deployment of security systems as reported in the Hindustan Times dated July 09, 2006;
- (b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and
- (c) the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a),(b) and (c): A policy on protection of critical infrastructure is in place. The policy is aimed at ensuring compliance by Government and critical sectors and verification through periodic risk assessments and annual audits by third party auditing organizations. In support of the above security policy, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) has created a panel of 55 IT security auditors to help the organizations to get their IT infrastructure and information systems audited from the point of view of Risk assessment, penetration of network and vulnerability assessment.