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AGREEMENT IN COMMUNICATION AND I.T. SECTOR

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

(a) the names of countries to which India have signed agreements to strengthen the cooperation in the Communication and Information Technology Sector during the last two years; and

(b) the extent to which these agreements have been helpful?

Answer

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

(a): Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) /Agreements have been signed with the following countries to strengthen the cooperation in Information Technology during the years 2005 and 2006:

1. Fiji
2. Australia
3. Bulgaria
4. Egypt
5. Japan with

Centre for Development of Advanced Computing

Centre for Development of Telematics

Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati

6. India Brazil South Africa (IBSA) Forum

There is no MOU/Agreement signed in the area of Communication during the last two years.

(b): These MoUs/Agreements enable us to identify the potential of Trade and Technology between the countries in the ICT sector and provide opportunities to tap capabilities in the sector in a focused manner.