

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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IT EXPORTS FROM ANDHRA PRADESH  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

the details of steps taken by the Union Government in coordination with National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM), State Government, Software Technology Parks of India, Hyderabad to make Andhra Pradesh as the highest exporter of Information Technology exports in the country?

**Answer**

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

As per Software Technology Parks of India (STPI):- The Government of India has launched the STP scheme with the objective of attracting investments in the IT sector and to promote exports from IT and Information Technology Enabled Services. With this objective STPI, Hyderabad was established in the year 1991 and has been playing an important role in creating right environment system in the State of Andhra Pradesh and working closely with other stake-holders such as State Government, Industry, Academic Institutions, Associations like NASSCOM and Hyderabad Software Exporters Association.

The IT Industry in the State of Andhra Pradesh is growing significantly and contributing to the extent of 13% of the National IT & ITES Exports. During the year 2006-07, the Exports from State has touched Rs.18582 crores as against 12521 crores in the previous year 2005-06.

The Exports growth from the State of Andhra Pradesh is much higher than the national exports growth rate. Setting up of IT incubators in various Tier II cities like Visakhapatnam, Kakinada, Tirupati etc. has been taken up. STPI is also creating state of art incubation in Hyderabad to further encourage more new IT companies to set up and expand their operations in the State particularly in high end services including product innovation design and engineering services etc.