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Title: Need to set up an Information Technology (IT) Park in Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu.

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SHRI K. PARASURAMAN (THANJAVUR): Thanjavur is one of the 32 Districts in the state of Tamil Nadu and there are 8 Universities, 15 Engineering Colleges, 32 Arts & Sciences Colleges, 12 Polytechnic and 12 Management colleges in the district. Approximately 50 thousand engineering graduates pass out every year. Most of the IT graduates could not gain employment and finally join the call centres making their future uncertain. Even though a number of IT professionals are coming out from professional colleges every year, there is no IT related company situated in the district. Therefore, I urge the government to take steps for setting up of an IT park in Thanjavur and I am sure that adequate land is available for this purpose. Establishment of IT park will increase employment opportunity in the district of Thanjavur as well as in other districts like Trichirappalli, Pudukkottai, Nagapattinam and Thiruvarur.