GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1448

TO BE ANSWERED ON: 04.07.2019

COMPLAINTS OF DATA THEFT AND MISUSE OF MAILS

1448. SHRI RIPUN BORA:

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

- (a) whether Government has received a number of complaints of data theft and misuse of mails with breach of privacy;
- (b) if so, the details of complaints received during the last two years, Statewise;
- (c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by Government to stop any conspiracy/violation/misuses of electronic data; and
- (d) the stringent steps and legal proposals of Government to maintain the customer privacy?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

- (a) and (b): No, Sir. Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MEITY) has not received any specific complaint pertaining to data theft and misuse of mails with breach of privacy.
- (c) and (d): Government had constituted a committee of expert on data protection, chaired by Justice (Retd) B.N. Srikrishna, Supreme Court of India to study various issues relating to data protection and come out with Data Protection Bill. The said committee has brought out a draft Personal Data Protection Bill (PDPB). Wide ranging consultations have been conducted on the recommendations of the committee with a view to finalizing the draft legislation.
