

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2641
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 24.03.2016

HUGE DEBT OF IT COMPANIES

2641. SHRI C.P. NARAYANAN:

Will the Minister of Electronics & Information Technology be pleased to state: -

- (a) whether Government is aware that companies working in IT Sector have huge debts totaling about 5 trillion rupees;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there is every chance that it may lead to pauperization of many of them, resulting in one or two companies owning the whole field, to the detriment of IT users; and
- (c) noticing the net result of amalgamation and appropriation of companies, whether Government would intervene to bring in financial accountability and stability to enable people to get responsible and uninterrupted IT services?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI P. P. CHAUDHARY)

(a) and (b): According to National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM), no data on debt of IT companies is maintained . However, the Indian IT-ITES industry revenue aggregate (Exports + Domestic but excluding hardware) has witnessed a growth of about 8.0% and estimated to reach US \$ 141.0 billion in FY 2016-17 as compared to US \$ 129.5 billion in FY 2015-16.

(c): Does not arise.
