GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RAJYA SABHA

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGINEERING GRADUATES

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to create job opportunities by the IT Department for engineering graduates who have acquired BE degree in Electronics and Information Technology and remain unemployed; and
- (b) whether the Department is providing any financial support for these engineering graduates for establishing their own industries by way of self employment?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE)

(a) to (b): No, Sir. There is no such proposal. However, Government has notified National Policy on Software Products (NPSP-2019) on 28th February 2019 with a vision to create robust Indian Software Products development ecosystem leading to 10-fold increase in India's share of Global Software Products market and to nurture 10,000 technology start-ups in software product industry and generating direct and in-direct employment for 3.5 million people by 2025.

Government also launched Next Generation Incubation Scheme (NGIS) to support software product ecosystem by identifying and supporting 300 start-ups working towards solutions/outstanding software products for futuristic problems/ emerging ICT technologies/ Societal problems and to promote identified start-ups through technical, financial and mentoring support for 11 Tier 2/3 cities based incubation facilities of Software Technology Parks of India (STPI).

Further, Technology Incubation and Development of Entrepreneurs (TIDE 2.0) Scheme is being implemented to promote tech entrepreneurship through financial and technical support to incubators engaged in supporting ICT start-ups using emerging technologies such as IoT, AI, Block-chain, Robotics etc. in seven pre-identified areas of societal relevance. The Scheme is being implemented by supporting 51 incubators of which 41 incubators are approved, eventually leading to handholding of approximately 2000 tech start-ups over a period of five years.
