GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3447

TO BE ANSWERED ON: 01.04.2022

FRESH PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS ON IT RULES, 2021

3447. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN:

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

- (a) whether Government is planning to take back The Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021, released on 25 February, 2021;
- (b) whether Government is planning to open fresh public consultations on IT Rules; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) to (c):In order to ensure an Open, Safe & Trusted and Accountability Internet to users and in tune with the changing requirements, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has notified the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021 ("IT Rules, 2021") on 25th February, 2021.

There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government to opt for fresh public consultation or to take back the IT Rules, 2021.
