

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3683
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2019

SETTING UP OF NATIONAL DATA GRID

3683. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY:

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

- (a) whether there are a large number of cases relating to data theft and the data pertaining to Indian citizens are unprotected;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether Government proposes to set up a National Data Grid in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the other steps taken/being taken by Government as protection measures?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b) : Sir. Government has not received complaints of data theft and misuse of mails with breach of privacy.

(c) and (d): Government is considering bringing data protection legislation in the country to strengthen the protection of personal data. A comprehensive legislation on data privacy is under formulation. The Government constituted a Committee of Experts on Data Protection, chaired by Justice (Retd.) Shri 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) on which consultations have been conducted and the Bill is intended to be placed in Parliament soon.
