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SETTING UP OF NATIONAL CYBER SECURITY COORDINATION CENTRE

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

- (a) whether Government has initiated the process to set up a National Cyber Security Coordination Centre (NCCC);
- (b) if so, the need for such an organisation;
- (c) how the existing police personnel will be trained to professionally handle cyber crimes and cyber security of the country; and
- (d) the progress made so far in setting up of the above Centre?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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(a) and (b): Evolving cyber threat landscape and its impact on the well being of Information Technology and National economy necessitates the need for real time situational awareness and rapid response to cyber security incidents. Considering the need, Government has proposed to set up the National Cyber Coordination Centre (NCCC) to generate near real time macroscopic views of the cyber security threats in the country. The centre will scan the cyberspace in the country at meta data level and will generate near real time situational awareness. NCCC will be a multi stakeholder body and will be implemented by Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) at Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY). The proposed centre will provide a structured system and facilitate coordination among different agencies by sharing with them the necessary facilitated and authentic basic metadata from cyberspace for taking action to mitigate the cyber security incidents and security breaches.

(c): In order to train existing police personnel to professionally handle cyber crimes and cyber security of the country following steps have been taken:

- i) Government of India (Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology) has set up cyber forensic training and cyber crime investigation labs at select places across the country for training of Police & officers of law enforcement agencies. More than 18500 personnel of these agencies have already been trained at these facilities.
- ii) Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has taken steps for setting up of 36 cybercrime training centres in States/UTs to train law enforcement agencies, Police Officers, Public Prosecutors and Judicial Officers.
- iii) A number of Cyber forensics tools for collection, analysis, presentation of the digital evidence have been developed indigenously and such tools are being used by Law Enforcement Agencies.
- iv) Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) and Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) are providing basic and advanced training to Law Enforcement Agencies, Forensic labs and judiciary on the procedures and methodology of collecting, analysing and presenting digital evidence.
- v) Cyber security mock drills are being conducted by CERT-In to enable assessment of cyber security posture and preparedness of organizations in Government including State Police and critical sectors.

- vi) Industry associations such as Data Security Council of India (DSCI), NASSCOM, have set up Cyber Labs in certain States and taken up tasks of awareness creation and training programmes on Cyber Crime investigation.
 - vii) Government of India (MeitY) in association with DSCI has organised a number of cyber crime awareness workshops for Law Enforcement Agencies at various cities across the country, wherein more than 1750 police officers attended these workshops.
 - viii) Academia such as National Law School India University (NLSIU), Bangalore and NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad are also engaged in conducting awareness and training programmes on Cyber Laws and cyber crimes for judicial officers.
- (d): The Government has approved the NCCC project at an outlay of Rupees 985 crores for a period of five years. The project is being implemented in phased manner. In the first phase, process for procurement of equipment has been initiated to set up a test bed.
