GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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HACKING OF WEBISTES OF CENTRAL AND STATE MINISTRIES / DEPARTMENTS

2645. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

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

- (a): whether it is a fact that more than 700 websites of Central Ministries/Departments and of State Governments were hacked during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto; and
- (c) whether Government is considering to take help of IIT or any other Institute of prevent hacking and manipulation problems in the country, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): The total number of websites hosted on NICNET that have been defaced since 2014 is 201. The details:

Year	websites
2014	57
2015	41
2016	81
2017 till date	22
Total	201

Currently about 8000 websites are hosted on NICNET.

NIC protects the cyber resources from possible compromises through a layered security approach using secure practices, procedures and technologies. NIC has deployed state-of-the-art security solutions including firewalls, intrusion prevention systems, anti-virus solution. Additionally, periodic security audits of resources are performed followed by subsequent hardenings. These are complemented by round-the-clock monitoring of security events and remedial measures are carried out for solving the problems subsequently.

(c): No, Sir.
