

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2819
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 10.08.2018

**CONSULTATION WITH THE MINISTRIES/ DEPARTMENTS
FOR CREATION OF A SOCIAL MEDIA HUB**

2819. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN:

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has consulted the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and other relevant Departments/Ministries on the privacy implications of creating a social media hub, as announced by the Government;
- (b) the details of such consultations, if any; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to address these privacy implications?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

(a) (b) and (c): No, Sir.. There was no proposal by Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology for creating a Social media hub.

However, as per the information provided by Ministry of I&B, they had proposed to set up a Social Media Hub to facilitate information flow regarding its policies and programmes through social media platforms i.e. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Youtube etc. A Request for Proposal (RFP) had been issued for this purpose. The said RFP has since been withdrawn.
