

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 644**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 27.06.2019

**STEPS TAKEN TO ENSURE DATA PRIVACY**

**644 SHRI. SYED NASIR HUSSAIN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has got any suggestion from United Nations to strengthen its data protection and privacy policies and if so, the details thereof;
- (a) whether the Government has taken adequate steps to ensure data privacy of network users and if so, the details thereof ; and
- (b) whether Government proposes to enact a legislation for data Privacy, strict cyber disclosure norms and curtailing security breaches and if so, the details thereof and by when the said legislation is likely to be enacted?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): No, Sir. Government have not received any suggestion from United Nations (UN) on data protection and privacy policies.

(b) and (c): Legislation on data privacy is under formulation. The Government constituted a committee of expert on data protection, chaired by Justice (Retd) 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. The Bill seeks to bring in place a culture of privacy by design and promoting concepts such as consent framework, purpose limitation, storage limitation, and data minimization among various other privacy oriented concepts.

\*\*\*\*\*

