

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1695
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 09.03.2018

JUSTICE B.N. SRIKRISHNA COMMITTEE ON DATA PROTECTION

1695 SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI:

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

- a) whether Ministry has already prepared a draft bill on data protection which has been referred to the Justice B.N. Srikrishna Committee;
- b) if so, whether the Committee is bound to work on the draft Bill so referred or is free to suggest its own Bill based on the consultations undertaken;
- c) if there is draft Bill, the reasons why it has not been made public to invite comments from stakeholders; and
- d) whether the Ministry now intends to put it in the public domain to invite comments from stakeholders, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): A Committee of Experts on Data Protection chaired by retired Supreme Court Justice Shri. B.N Srikrishna has been constituted to look into the aspects pertaining to Data Protection. The Committee has put out a White paper for wider public review & Inputs. The Committee has also conducted Stakeholders Consultation meetings at four cities. Detailed inputs have now been received. The committee is presently engaged in the process of analyzing the same. On Completion of its activities, the Committee is then expected to prepare and submit the draft Bill on Data Protection.

(a) and d): Do not arise.

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