# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1345

TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.09.2020

### IMPLEMENTATION OF DATA PROTECTION LAW

### 1345. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH:

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

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating on moving forward to implement the Data Protection Law in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that a large number of MPs and public representatives are opposing the implementation of the law in its present state in view of the violation of Civil liberties of an individual, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the remedial measures being taken by the Government?

### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE)

- (a) and (b): The Government constituted a Committee of Experts on Data Protection, chaired by Justice (Retd) B.N. Srikrishna, Supreme Court of India to study various issues relating to data protection and the Committee of Experts formulated a Draft Personal Data Protection Bill. Based on the recommendation of the Committee of Experts and a multitude of feedback received from diverse stakeholders, the draft bill has been duly updated and the PDP Bill 2019 has been introduced in Parliament during the winter session 2019. The Bill has been referred to a Joint Committee of the Parliament & the Committee is deliberating on the subject.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d): Does not arise.

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