

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1378
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2018

ITIR IN VISAKHAPATNAM

1378 SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY:

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

- (a) when was the IT Investment Region proposed to set up in Visakhapatnam before bifurcation of the State;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government has now decided to shelve the project; and
- (c) if so , the reasons therefor and how far they are justified?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India had received a proposal for setting up of Information Technology Investment Region (ITIR) at Visakhapatnam, from Government of Andhra on 26th August, 2014. During the consideration of a similar proposal for setting up of information Technology investment region at Bhubaneswar Odisha, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) in its meeting held on 10.09.2014 had directed that the ITIR Policy Resolution, 2008 be comprehensively re-examined in the light of the experience gained over time. Based on the review of the ITIR policy resolution 2008 and various other schemes introduced by the Government for creation of industrial infrastructure it was decided that the Information Technology Investment Region (ITIR) Policy, 2008 be closed. Therefore, the proposal for setting up of ITIR at Visakhapatnam has not been considered for further course of action.
