

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2100**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2020

**NET ZERO IMPORTS IN ELECTRONICS BY 2020**

**2100. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has set net zero imports in electronics by 2020 under Digital India roadmap;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that under the National Policy on Electronics, 2019, Government had set a target of making 100 crore mobile handsets indigenously by 2025; and
- (d) if so, the target achieved so far?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) and (b): The Government attaches high priority to electronics hardware manufacturing and it is one of the important pillars of both “Make in India” and “Digital India” programmes. The National Policy on Electronics 2019 (NPE 2019) has been notified on 25.02.2019, with the vision to position India as a global hub for Electronics System Design and Manufacturing (ESDM) and create an enabling environment for the industry to compete globally. One of the missions of NPE 2019 is to transform India into a destination for manufacturing and exports in pre-identified, high growth electronics sector by encouraging and incentivizing large ESDM eco-system to achieve net positive Balance of Payments.

(c) and (d): As per the NPE 2019, 100 crore mobile handsets are targeted to be produced by 2025. The production of mobile handsets in the country is as under:

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 (Projected)
Mobile handsets (Nos. in Crore)	5.8	11	17.5	22.5	29	31

*Source: India Cellular and Electronics Association.*

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