

1	2	3	4	5
15	B. Mizoram (NE-I)	96	93	83
15	C. Tripura (NE-I)	75	75	75
16.	North East-II	1550	1535	1313
16	A. Arunachal Pradesh (NE-II)	646	646	585
16	B. Manipur (NE-II)	876	861	700
16	C. Nagaland (NE-II)	28	28	28
17.	Orissa	4899	4122	3907
18.	Punjab	0	0	0
19.	Rajasthan	12386	11924	11912
20.	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0
21.	Uttar Pradesh (East)	0	0	0
22.	Uttar Pradesh (West)	0	0	0
23.	Uttarakhand	3881	3547	2974
24.	West Bengal	0	0	0
TOTAL:		66822	62302	60208

Impact of global recession on IT sector

‡2314. SHRI BALBIR PUNJ: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the impact of the global recession on the IT sector;
- (b) whether people associated with this sector also lost their jobs due to this recession; and
- (c) if so, the number of people who lost their jobs due to this recession?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT): (a) The Indian IT and ITES sector has witnessed some slow down in comparison to its historical rate of growth. The growth rate of the IT and ITES exports during 2008-09 has declined to 14.6% as compared to around 30% in the last few years. The total export revenue of this sector is estimated at US \$ 46.3 billion in 2008-09, as compared to US \$ 40.4 billion in 2007-08. The revenue from the domestic market has grown from US \$ 4.8 billion in 2004-05 to US \$ 12.4 billion in 2008-09, a CAGR of 26.69%. However, the growth rate of domestic market has dipped to around 6% in 2008-09.

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(b) and (c) As per the National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM), IT and IT Enabled Services/BPO Sector remains a net hirer. During the FY 2008-09, the direct employment in this sector is estimated to reach 2.2 million from 2.0 million in the previous year.

Telephone Advisory Committees

‡2315. SHRI OM PRAKASH MATHUR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the telecommunication advisory committees to be constituted in all districts and State level across the country;

(b) the tenure of the last committee having ended in May, 2009, whether the department has decided not to constitute new committees; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons that the committees with two years tenure are not being constituted even after lapse of 6 months tenure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT): (a) and (b) Telephone Advisory Committees (TACs) are constituted at Telecom District Level only. These are not constituted at Circle/State level. All 359 Telecom District Level TACs have already been constituted [tenure of 348 TACs are upto 30.09.2011 and of 11 TACs are upto 30.06.2010].

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

Comprehensive wage structure for Gramin Dak Sevaks

2316. SHRI GOVINDRAO WAMANRAO ADIK:
SHRI Y.P. TRIVEDI:

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

(a) whether based on R.S. Natarajan Committee's recommendations, Government has evolved a new comprehensive wage structure of Gramin Dak Sevaks (GDS);

(b) if so, the main recommendations of the Committee; and

(c) the number of such Dak Sevaks, at present, and the facilities and perks extended to them to help them travel in rural areas devoid of roads?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The salient features of the recommendations made by Shri R.S. Nataraja Murti Committee, accepted and implemented by the Government are given in the Statement (See below).

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