

**STPI centre at Amritsar**

4091. SHRI SHWAIT MALIK: Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) centre at Amritsar, the foundation stone of which was laid in November, 2016;

(b) whether the project is running on time, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for the delay; and

(c) by when it is likely to complete?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY): (a) As per STPI, the final drawings of the building have been submitted by the Project Management Consultant (PMC) to Amritsar Local Authority for approval.

(b) and (c) The project is being executed on time as per the schedule submitted by the PMC. PMC is already pursuing with the Statutory Authority at Amritsar for the sanction of submitted drawings.

**Increase in cyber crimes related to e-transactions**

†4092. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether e-transaction related cyber crimes registered an increase of 73.24 per cent in the year 2015-16;

(b) whether an apprehension of 60 to 65 per cent increase in cases of cyber fraud has been raised in a joint study titled "Strategic National Measures to Combat Cybercrime" by industry association, ASSOCHAM and research firm Ernst and Young;

(c) if so, arrangements being made by Government to check the spike in cyber crime and whether Government would make stringent laws for this; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government for providing speedy justice to victims of fraud in digital transactions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY): (a) As per the data made available by Reserve Bank of India (RBI), a total of 13083 and 16468 cases related to Cyber Frauds (ATM/ Debit Card, Credit Card and Net Banking frauds) were reported by the banks during the years 2014-15 and 2015-16 respectively showing a rising trend.

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