

Regrading need to ensure operationalization of Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) Centre at Jeypore in Koraput district, Odisha-Laid

SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA (KORAPUT): I would like to bring to the notice of the Government a matter of urgent public importance regarding the continued non-operationalization of the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) facility at Jeypore in Koraput district, Odisha. The STPI centre at Jeypore was formally inaugurated on 29 January 2025 with the objective of promoting IT and technology-driven enterprises in the tribal and aspirational region of southern Odisha. The facility was expected to create employment opportunities, encourage local startups, and reduce distress migration by integrating the region into the digital economy. However, despite the formal inauguration, the centre remains non-functional. Unresolved infrastructural and administrative issues, including power supply connectivity challenges and pending design modifications, have delayed its operationalization. The prolonged delay has caused disappointment among local youth, entrepreneurs, and stakeholders who had anticipated immediate opportunities. Koraput district, owing to its geographical remoteness and economic backwardness, requires focused institutional support to bridge the digital divide. The continued inaction defeats the very purpose of establishing the STPI facility and risks eroding public confidence in developmental initiatives. Urge the Government to expedite resolution of all pending infrastructural and administrative bottlenecks, particularly those related to power connectivity and design approvals and provide a clear timeline for making the STPI Jeypore facility fully operational.