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## **Transaction on e-governance services doubled in 2015: Prasad**

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Communications and IT Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad on Monday said the electronic transaction in India regarding e-governance related services almost doubled in 2015.

"According to the government website electronic transaction aggregation and analysis layer (eTaal), 3.53 billion transaction took place in 2014, which almost doubled in 2015 to 6.95 billion... This shows Indians drive for technology," the minister said.

He was addressing the i-bharat 2016 seminar organised by the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).

eTaal is a web portal for dissemination of e-transactions statistics of national and state level e-governance projects including mission mode projects.

"Indians have a great taste for technology. They first observe it, then adopt it and finally enjoy it. Indians by temperament are innovative," the minister added.

Speaking about all the digital initiatives his government had started, Prasad said: "Digital momentum in India has started and we as policy makers have to facilitate it."