GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2435
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th DECEMBER, 2021

DEFENCE AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIA ON ASSAULT RIFLES

2435. SHRI M. SHANMUGAM:
SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government concluded any Defence agreement with Russia for production of assault rifles and other weapons;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these will be produced in India in the Ordnance Factories under Aatmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE (SHRI AJAY BHATT)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(a) to (d): A contract for procurement of quantity 6,01,427 Assault Rifles AK-203 was signed on December 06, 2021 between Ministry of Defence and M/s Indo-Russian Rifles Private Limited (IRRPL)- a Joint Venture established between India, represented by the Defence PSUs- Advanced Weapons & Equipment India Limited (AWEIL) & Munitions India Limited (MIL) and Russia, represented by Rosoboronexport (RoE) & Concern Kalashnikov (CK), in the share holding of 50.5% and 49.5% respectively. These rifles will be produced by M/s IRRPL at Korwa, Uttar Pradesh.

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