

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1159**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

**INDIGENISATION OF DEFENCE WEAPONS**

1159. SMT. PRIYANKA CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that defence export inventory leans towards 'soft' category of equipments;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, justification thereof;
- (d) component-wise breakup of data regarding equipments exported by the defence sector of the country; and
- (e) whether Government has any plans of setting up major defence manufacturing hub?

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MINISTER OF STATE  
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

(a) to (c): Department of Defence Production issues authorisation for export of Munitions List items covered in Category 6 of Special Chemicals, Organisms, Materials, Equipment and Technologies (SCOMET) including major platforms, equipment and parts & components.

(d): Various parts and components of major equipments viz. Weapon Simulators, Tear Gas Launcher, Torpedo Loading Mechanism, Alarm Monitoring & Control, Night Vision Monocular & Binocular, Light Weight Torpedo & Fire Control Systems, Armoured Protection Vehicle, Weapons Locating Radar, Coastal Surveillance Radar, Avionics, body protective items etc. are exported from India. The export value of the authorisations issued during the last five years is as under:

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23 (As on 07.02.23)
Total Export Value (in Crores)	4,682	10,746	9,116	8,435	12,815	10,967

(e): Government has already set up two Defence Industrial Corridors (DICs) in Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu with an objective of developing a holistic defence ecosystem by leveraging existing manufacturing capabilities within the State and integrating them with all key pillars of Defence manufacturing viz. Defence Public Sector Units (DPSUs), DRDO, other Government institutions, Foreign Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs), large Indian manufacturers, MSMEs, R&D institutions, Technology hubs etc. to meet the major requirements of the Indian armed forces through indigenous design and development, thereby increasing self-reliance and generate direct/indirect employment.

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