

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1473
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th August, 2024

DEFENCE EQUIPMENT CAPABILITY

1473 SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has a defence equipment capability review mechanism for all three defence services;
- (b) if so, details thereof including the periodicity of the reviews and the agency responsible for undertaking such reviews, if not the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether India has an independent committee to review Maintenance, Repairs, and Overhaul (MRO) manuals and procedures, and if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SANJAY SETH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): To address the current and futuristic security needs of Armed Forces, an Integrated Capability Development Plan is formulated by Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff in consultation with all stakeholders. This plan is reviewed annually, as part of two-yearly roll-over Annual Acquisition Plan. The review of Annual Acquisition Plan is undertaken both at Service Headquarters and Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff level.

(c): Yes, Sir. All three Services have requisite mechanisms to review the Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) manuals and procedures. These, inter-alia, include Indian Naval Ship Maintenance Authority (INSMA) for all ships and submarines in the Navy, Central Servicing Development Organisation (CSDO) and Base Repair Depots (BRDs) in IAF for aircraft and systems etc. For indigenous equipment, MRO reviews are also undertaken by the users in consultation with DPSUs/Indian Industry, where applicable. Manuals and procedures related to maintenance and repairs are regularly updated.
