GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.246

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND DECEMBER, 2016

INDO-ISRAEL DEFENCE COOPERATION

*246. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO: SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps to expand its strategic ties with Israel through joint ventures and research and development projects and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government proposes to seek cooperation for sharing of technology with Israel and if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE

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(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 246 FOR ANSWER ON 2.12.2016

Government has undertaken some defence Research & Development (R&D) projects with Israel. Israeli companies have also set up joint ventures with Indian companies for manufacturing of defence equipment as well as R&D. Some of the procurement cases with Israel companies also involve transfer of technology. Further, the collaboration with foreign countries for strategic tie-ups is an ongoing process to safeguard overall security of the country. However, it would not be in the interest of national security to disclose further details in this regard.
