GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.60

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18TH NOVEMBER, 2016

MANUFACTURING OF WARSHIPS

*60. SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO: SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken a decision to manufacture state-of-the art warships in the country so as to safeguard its maritime borders and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government has assigned the task of manufacturing warships to four Public Sector companies of the country, if so, the details thereof and the progress made so far in this regard;
- (c) whether the modernization process in the Indian Navy has been stalled / delayed due to paucity of fund and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE

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(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 60 FOR ANSWER ON 18.11.2016

Modernization of maritime capabilities is an ongoing process. Government is committed to building the capabilities of the Indian Navy and Coast Guard to protect India's maritime interests and safeguard our seaward frontiers. As part of this modernization, the Indian Navy is inducting ships, submarines and air assets in accordance with the Maritime Capability Perspective Plan and Long Term Integrated Perspective Plan (LTIPP). Similarly, the capabilities of the Indian Coast Guard are also being enhanced with the induction of additional crafts and equipment.

The government has assigned the task of construction of warships to Public as well as Private Sector shipyards. Presently, 31 indigenous warships are on order with Public Sector shipyards namely Mazagaon Dockyard Shipbuilders Limited, Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Limited, Cochin Shipyard Limited at a cost of ₹ 1.18 Lakh crore. Further, Yard crafts, Barges and other Auxiliary vessels are being built at Goa Shipyard Limited and Hindustan Shipyard Limited. A total of 14 ships are also being built in Private shipyards / State PSU shipyards.

Government is committed to providing adequate resources to enable the modernisation and capability building of the Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard.
