

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1693
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25TH NOVEMBER, 2016

CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF

1693. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI:
ADV. JOICE GEORGE:
SHRI KONDA VISHWESHWAR REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to create the post of Chief of Defence Staff (CDS); and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the present status along with the reasons for the delay in creation of the said post?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(a) & (b): Creation of the post of Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) was recommended by Group of Ministers in 2001. A decision in this regard was to be taken after consultation with political parties. The consultation process however could not be completed because all political parties have not responded. Subsequently, Naresh Chandra Task Force on National Security has recommended creation of the post of Permanent Chairman Chief of Staff Committee in 2012. Both the proposals are simultaneously under consideration of the Government.
