## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1794 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2016

## **DEFENCE COMMUNICATION NETWORK**

1794. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

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

(a) whether the countryøs first integrated Defence Communication Network (DCN) was launched recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this network will enable Indian Army, Air Force, Navy and the Special Forces Command to share situational awareness for a faster decision-making process;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the DCN has high bandwidth network and incorporates latest traffic transportation technology in the form of Internet Protocol and if so, the details thereof?

## A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE रारायमंी (डा. सुभाष भामरे)

(a) & (b): Defence Communication Network (DCN), country's first Integrated Defence Network has been implemented and inaugurated on  $30^{th}$  June, 2016. The network interconnects major strategic and operational establishments of the Defence Forces.

(c) to (e): DCN will facilitate situational awareness and faster decision making amongst Defence Forces. The network provides voice, video and data services, enabling information sharing, speedier response and enhanced decision making. DCN has been provided with adequate bandwidth as per the technical and operational requirement to integrate state of the art communication equipment working on Internet Protocol based technology.

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