## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1805**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2017

## SHORTAGE OF MEDALS

1805. SHRIMATI VANAROJA R.: SHRI P. NAGARAJAN: SHRI A.T. NANA PATIL:

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

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that there is short supply of medals to be awarded to defence personnel for various achievements including bravery, distinguished service etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

## ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

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- (a) Yes, Madam. Short supply has been noticed in respect of Service Medals only.
- (b) As on 31.12.2016, around 16,82,577 Service Medals are pending for issue to Tri-Services i.e. Army, Navy and Air Force.
- (c) Directorate of Military Regulations & Forms (DMR&F), Ministry of Defence has been persistently and vigorously making efforts to clear the backlog Service Medals. Two proposals, for procurement of 7,60,000 and 9,89,600 medals are already in the pipeline to clear the backlog.

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