

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.232
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3RD FEBRUARY, 2017

REDUCING DEFENCE SPENDING

232. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the D.B. Shekatkar Committee which has made suggestions for increasing the combat efficiency of the armed forces;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government to the said report;
- (c) whether the Government has proposed any action to cut defence spending and follow the recommendations of the committee in toto; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to implement the recommendations of the committee?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

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(a) to (d): A Committee of Experts was constituted by Ministry of Defence under the chairmanship of Lt. Gen. DB Shekatkar (Retd) to recommend measures to enhance combat capability and rebalance defence expenditure of the armed forces. The Committee has submitted its final report in December 2016.

An internal committee has been constituted within the Ministry to analyse the report, identify the recommendations to be accepted and to frame the key action points as well as a roadmap for their implementation.
