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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5671

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7TH APRIL, 2017

SCORPENE-CLASS SUBMARINE

5671. SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Mazagon Docks limited and a French shipbuilder are keen on making three more scorpene-class submarines and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Mazagon Docks Limited along with French shipbuilder DCNS has approached the Government for repeat order on the above said submarines and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the fully indigenous nuclear submarine Arihant has undergone extensive sea trials successfully and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is planning / proposing to pursue with both the lines of production with the above said docks and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

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- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) in conjunction with M/s DCNS, France have approached Indian Navy for constructing upgraded version of the Scorpene-class submarines at MDL.
- (c) The desired information is sensitive in nature and its disclosure is not in the interest of National Security.
- (d) Presently, Scorpene class submarines under Project-75 are under construction at MDL.
