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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2117

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28TH JULY, 2017

MANUFACTURING OF HELICOPTERS

2117. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

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

- (a) whether the Government is seriously considering manufacturing helicopters and fighter planes in private firms; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

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MINISTER OF STATE
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(a) & (b): The Government has notified Chapter VII of Defence Procurement Procedure 2016 – 'Revitalising Defence Industrial Ecosystem' through Strategic Partnerships in May 2017. The overall aim of 'Strategic Partnerships' is to engage Indian Companies, on long term basis, to progressively build indigenous capabilities to design, develop and manufacture complex weapon systems for the future needs of the Armed Forces. Under this policy Strategic Partners would need to enter into relevant tie-ups with foreign Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) for participating in the procurement process. In the initial phase, major defence platforms such as Fighter Aircraft, Helicopters, Submarines & Armoured Fighting Vehicles (AFV) / Main Battle Tank (MBT) have been identified for implementation.
