

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1556
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 27TH DECEMBER, 2017

DEFENCE TECHNOLOGY

1556. SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- the status / position of defence situation of the country *vis-a-vis* its neighbours;
- whether country's defence technology is twenty years older than the developed countries; and
- if so, the extent to which Make in India initiative has helped to cover the gap?

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MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
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(a) & (b): Government regularly reviews the threat perception to secure our borders and protect national interests. Our armed forces are geared up to safeguard our borders and uphold the sovereignty, territorial integrity and security of India.

Defence technology of any nation spawns a wide spectrum of technologies. While some technologies may be 'state of the art', some other may not be so. It is always an endeavour to optimise this 'mix', keeping our threat perceptions in mind. As technologies evolve, defence equipments are upgraded / replaced and this is a continuous process.

(c) The 'Make in India' initiative of the Government has recognised Defence Sector as one of the priority sectors. It is an initiative that aims to achieve self-reliance for the country in defence manufacturing and equipping the forces with the best possible equipment. The Government is pursuing several initiatives under 'Make in India' to achieve higher levels of indigenization and self-reliance in the defence sector.
