

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.768
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7TH FEBRUARY, 2018

ACQUISITION OF SUBMARINES

768. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the force level of submarines under Indian Navy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the present strength of submarines under Indian Navy is far lesser than the strength of submarines possessed by China and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Indian submarines are based on outdated technology and lack armament expansion when compared with submarines under Chinese navy; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

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MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(a) to (e): The Government constantly reviews the prevailing security scenario and enhances force levels based on operational requirements and threat perceptions, which is a continuous and dynamic process. State of the art defence equipment, including submarines for the Indian Navy, are periodically inducted to ensure availability of platforms to meet all national security requirements. Long term plans are under implementation to ensure adequate force levels including submarines for the Indian Navy.
