GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3667 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8TH AUGUST, 2018

PRODUCTION OF WEAPONS

3667. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA: SHRI BHARATHI MOHAN R.K.: SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN: SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:

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

(a) whether the Government is not having any Technological Partner for producing weapons of civilian use and non-lethal riot control weapons like Rubber bullet Pistol / Teaser gun;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) has sufficient in-house capacity to produce weapons for civilian use like 0.22ö bore size and Non-Lethal Weapons like Rubber bullet Pistol / Teaser gun etc., for riot control;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the quantity of such types of weapons produced by OFB during the last three years and the current year, year, company and type-wise; and

(e) the revenue generated through the sale of such weapons during the above period, year-wise?

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(a) to (e): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3667 FOR ANSWER ON 8.8.2018

(<u>a) to (e):</u> No Madam, Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) is not having any Technological Partnership for producing weapons of civilian use and nonlethal riot control weapons including Rubber bullet Pistol / Teaser gun.

OFB is not manufacturing Rubber bullet Pistol / Teaser gun. However it has sufficient capacity in their factories namely Small Arms Factory, Kanpur; Rifle Factory, Ichapore; Ordnance Factory, Trichy & Gun & Carriage Factory, Jabalpur for manufacturing 0.22 Calibre, 0.32 Calibre & 0.315 Sporting Rifle & 30-06 Sporting Rifle and meeting the demand of weapons for the civilian use. The details of the items (0.22 Calibre, 0.32 Calibre, 0.315 Sporting Rifle & 30-06 Sporting Rifle) sold and the revenue generated since 2015-16 to 2018-19 are as under:-

Qty in number and Value of Issue

(Rs. in Lakh)

| | 2015-16 | | 2016-17 | | 2017-18 | | 2018-19 | |
|----------------------------------|---------|------------------|---------|------------------|---------|------------------|---------|------------------|
| ltem | Qty | Value Approx. | Qty | Value Approx. | Qty | Value Approx. | Qty | Value Approx. |
| 0.22 Calibre | 2313 | 812 | 780 | 272 | 907 | 330 | 104 | 41 |
| 0.32 Calibre | 39967 | 23226 | 37176 | 23021 | 29217 | 18995 | 6388 | 4344 |
| 0.315 Sporting Rifle (SPR) | 4180 | 2090 | 5787 | 2950 | 3130 | 1637 | 825 | 465 |
| 30-06 Sporting Rifle (SPR) | 1133 | 871 | 1105 | 867 | 1224 | 991 | 325 | 289 |
| Total: | 47,593 | 26,999 | 44,848 | 27,110 | 34,478 | 21,953 | 7,642 | 5,139 |
