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

STARRED QUESTION NO. 325 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th December, 2019

EXPORT OF DEFENCE EQUIPMENT

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to supply/export weapons, warships and aircraft to other countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the countries from which proposals have been received in this regard during the last three years; and
- (d) the decision/action taken by the Government thereon?

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(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 325 FOR ANSWER ON 11.12.2019 REGARDING 'EXPORT OF DEFENCE EQUIPMENT'.

(a) to (d): Self-reliance in defence production to meet the requirement of our Armed Forces is imperative from both strategic and economic perspective. Furthermore, to expand the domestic defence manufacturing ecosystem and enhance their global competitiveness, efforts are being made to promote export of defence platforms and equipment to friendly foreign countries (FFC) subject to extant export control regulations. Several steps have been taken to promote defence exports including, inter alia, reduction in time taken for issuing export authorizations. These platforms/equipment are exported/supplied to FFCs either on commercial terms or by following the Lines of Credit etc. In view of strategic sensitivities involved, it is not desirable to disclose the list of such countries.
