

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2927
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th March, 2020

FUND FOR DEFENCE MODERNISATION

2927. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

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

- (a) whether the Government has earmarked sufficient funds for defence modernisation for the year 2020-21;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/to be taken by the Government to allot more funds for Defence modernisation to catch up with China whose defence budget is three times more than India's?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(श्री श्रीपाद नाईक)

(a) & (b): An amount of Rs. 90,048 Crore has been proposed for Capital Acquisition (Modernization) in BE 2020-21 under Defence Services Estimates which is an increase of Rs 9,088.92 Crore over BE 2019-20 allocations. The total amount allocated for Capital Acquisition (Modernization) is 27.87% of Defence Services Estimates.

(c) No official data relating to China's Defence modernization is available in this Ministry.

Government is taking measures for modernisation of Armed Forces, through procurement of new equipment and upgrading of existing equipment and systems. The modernisation project are being progressed as per approved capital acquisition plan and in terms of extant Defence Procurement Procedure.
