

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1650
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21st SEPTEMBER, 2020

RDP INDIA MOBILE APP

1650. SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:

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

- (a) whether the Ministry of Defence has launched a mobile App -RDP India 2019ø in compliance of -Digital Indiaøcampaign;
- (b) if so, the objective thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has introduced any award scheme for coast guards;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the criteria set for granting the award?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1650 FOR ANSWER ON 21.09.2020 REGARDING 'RDP INDIA MOBILE APP'.

(a) and (b): The RDP India Mobile App was deployed during Republic Day Parade-2019, to disseminate information about the composition of Republic Day Parade, details of marching contingent, tableaux, Fly Past, seating enclosures, cultural pageant and other highlights of the Parade to not only those who witness the Republic Day Parade but also to reach out to people all over the country and outside.

(c)Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e): The PTM(President's Tatrakshak Medal) and TM(Tatrakshak Medal) medals are awarded every year to the Coast Guard personnel for distinguished, gallantry and meritorious service on the occasion of Republic Day and Independence Day. The eligibility criteria is as follows:-

- President's Tatrakshak Medal(PTM)
 - (i) Individual Acts of exceptional courage performed within or outside the territory of India which has special significance to the Coast Guard.
 - (ii) Success in the conduct of Indian Coast Guard operations under difficult conditions such as weather or limitations of ships/boats or equipments.
 - (iii) Special service as prevention or checking of smuggling or safeguarding of national interest in the Maritime Zones of India.
 - (iv) Prolonged service but only when distinguished by very exceptional ability and merit.
- Tatrakshak Medal(TM)
 - (i) For conspicuous acts of gallantry.
 - (ii) For valuable service characterized by resourcefulness and devotion to duty including prolonged service of ability and merit.
- The medal may also be awarded to Air Crew who have completed within a single tenure of 2 years or less the following minimum flying hours:

Medium range surveillance aircraft	-	800 hrs
Light surveillance aircraft	-	800 hrs
Helicopters	-	500 hrs
