

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4806
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th March, 2021

INDUCTION OF NEW WEAPONS IN ARMED FORCES

4806. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:
SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE please be pleased to state:

- (a) the recent inductions of new aircraft, weapons, missiles and radar systems into the Armed Forces.
- (b) whether the Government will induct any further indigenous fighter aircraft into its fleet and if so, the details thereof, including the highlights of the cost, deadline and the features thereof;
- (c) the number of companies involved in the manufacturing and the expected number of jobs the process would create;
- (d) whether the Government can further boost “Atmanirbharta” in Armed Forces by inducting LCH and LUH Helicopters; and
- (e) the status of the clearance and approval accorded to the two helicopters and the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a) to (e): The induction of new aircraft, weapons etc into the Armed Forces is a continuous process. The details of important recent inductions in this regards are as under:-

Indian Army:

- (i) Cheetal Helicopters.
- (ii) Advanced Light Helicopters (ALH) Mark 0/I/II/III.

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- (iii) ALH (Weapon System Integrated [WSI]).
- (iv) 20 mm Turret Gun – Integrated with ALH (WSI) platform.
- (v) 70 mm Turret Gun – Integrated with ALH (WSI) platform.

Indian Navy:

- (i) Dornier 228 aircraft
- (ii) Advance Light Helicopters (ALH MK III)
- (iii) Chetak Helicopters
- (iv) P81 aircraft

Indian Air Force:

- (i) Rafale aircraft
- (ii) Light Combat Aircraft
- (iii) C-17 and C-130 transport aircraft
- (iv) Chinook and Apache Helicopters

The Government is committed to boost “Atmanirbhar Bharat” scheme by inducting LCH and LUH helicopters in Armed Forces.

So far, till February 2021, the Government has issued 523 Industrial licenses for manufacturing of various items in Defence sector.
