

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.928
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3rd DECEMBER, 2021

CYBER WARFARE

928. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:
SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to counter cyberwarfare; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the results yielded so far in this regard?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A framework for enhancing the Cyber posture of Defence Forces was approved by the GoI/MoD in 2018. Defence Cyber Agency and Army, Navy and Air Force Cyber Groups have been established with specific charter to protect and defend the Defence Forces Information and Communication Technology assets, and deter adversary's attempts at cyber warfare.

These Organisations have contributed significantly to enhance the 'Cyber Security posture' of the Defence Forces including:

- (i) Increased synergy between cyber groups and National cyber agencies.
- (ii) Improved defensive measures in place to protect data using hardened technology, effective monitoring, safe practices, improved user awareness, standardized processes and audit measures.
- (iii) Better preparedness to respond to cyber warfare, with cohesive response for incidents using centralized threat databases, libraries and incident records.
