

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.962
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH DECEMBER, 2015

MULTI-ROLE HELICOPTERS

962. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian warships continue to operate on the high seas without critical multi-role helicopters that can detect and destroy enemy submarines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to manufacture advanced helicopters for Navy in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a)to(d): Capital procurement requirements of the defence forces are reflected in the 15 year Long Term Integrated Perspective Plan (LTIPP). The procurement process is based on LTIPP (2012-27), five year Services Capital Acquisition Plan (SCAP) (2012-17) and Annual Acquisition Plan (AAP) (2014-16).

Sometimes mismatch between requirement and availability of helicopters with the Navy occurs, which is continuously addressed by the ongoing procurement process.

At present, Advance Light Helicopters (ALH) for the defence forces are being indigenously manufactured by M/s HAL.
