

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.41

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26TH FEBRUARY, 2016

MODERNISATION OF ARMED FORCES

*41. SHRI P.K. BIJU:
SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY:

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

- (a) whether the Government has drawn a roadmap to modernise and upgrade the capabilities of armed forces, keeping in view the developments in the neighbourhood;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the budgetary allocations made for the purpose;
- (c) whether the Government has commissioned any independent study in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE

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(SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

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(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 41 FOR ANSWER ON 26.2.2016

(a) to (d): Modernization of the Armed Forces is a continuous process based on threat perception, operational challenges and technological changes to keep the Armed Forces in a state of readiness to meet the entire spectrum of security challenges. Government attaches the highest priority to ensuring that the Armed Forces are sufficiently equipped to meet any operational requirement. This is achieved through induction of new equipment and technological upgradation of capabilities. The equipment requirements of the Armed Forces are planned and progressed through a detailed process which includes 15 year Long Term Integrated Perspective Plan (LTIPP), a five year Service-wise Capability Acquisition Plan, a two year roll-on Annual Acquisition Plan and deliberations by the Defence Acquisition Council chaired by the Raksha Mantri.

During 2014-15 and 2015-16, the DAC accorded approval to 66 capital procurement cases at an estimated cost of Rs.1.98 lakh crore, including approval for nomination of Goa Shipyard Ltd for supply of 12 Mine Counter Measure Vessels at an estimated cost of Rs.32,640 crore.

During 2014-15, 47 capital procurement contracts were signed with value of Rs.64,859.52 crore. During 2015-16, 44 such contracts have been signed with a value of Rs.39,955.36 crore and further contracts with value of more than Rs.4,000 crore are also being signed.

The allocation for capital acquisition for the Armed Forces in Budget Estimate (BE) 2015-16 is Rs.77,406.69 crore.
