

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1418
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH MARCH, 2016

INS VIKRAMADITYA

1418. SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:
DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

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

- (a) whether Government has dispatched its largest and most potent warship aircraft carrier INS Vikramaditya accompanied by destroyer Mysore and tanker INS Deepak to Maldives; and
- (b) if so, the reasons and the purpose thereof?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE

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(SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

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(a) & (b): INS Vikramiditya accompanied by Indian Navy Ships Mysore and Deepak visited Male from 15-18 February, 2016 on an Overseas Deployment (OSD) aimed at highlighting the importance accorded by India to bilateral relations with Maldives and to strengthen the existing bonds between the two countries.
