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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2472
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH MARCH, 2016

FLEET REVIEW

2472. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

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

- (a) whether International Fleet Review (IFR) was held recently;
- (b) if so, the details of the countries that have participated in the IFR; and
- (c) whether it is true that after IFR the Ministry is decommissioning INS Virat?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE

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(SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

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- (a) **Yes, Madam. The IFR was held recently from 4th to 8th February 2016 at Vishakhapatnam.**
- (b) **48 countries participated in the IFR and these are Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brazil, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Djibouti, Egypt, Fiji, France, Germany, Greece, Indonesia, India, Iran, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Myanmar, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Oman, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, South Korea (ROK), South Africa, Singapore, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, UK, USA and Vietnam.**
- (c) **Considering the material state of INS Viraat, the Indian Navy had accorded Service Life Extension of the ship till mid 2016, after which it is planned to be decommissioned by end of 2016.**
