

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1069
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29TH APRIL, 2016

START-UP INDIA INITIATIVE

1069. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

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

- (a) the number of start-ups presently working in the field of defence industry;
- (b) whether the Government uses the services of the existing start-ups working in the defence industry;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to extend the Start-up India initiative to the defence sector, if so, the details 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 attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1069 FOR ANSWER ON 29.4.2016

(a) to (d): Government of India has launched Startup India initiative to nurture innovation and Startups in the country. A Startup Action Plan was released by the Government in January this year to create a conducive environment for start-ups in India. This includes simplification of processes and handholding, funding support and incentives and Industry-Academia Partnership and Incubation.

In line with the Government policy to promote start-ups, all Defence Public Sector Undertakings and Ordnance Factory Board have been directed to identify products / items for which eligibility criteria related to prior experience and prior turnover for vendors can be relaxed without compromising quality and technical specifications, so that start-ups are encouraged and given an opportunity to contribute in the defence production.
