GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2097 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6TH MAY, 2016

DHRUV HELICOPTERS

2097. DR. K. GOPAL:

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

(a) whether Dhruv helicopters have been inducted into the Armed Forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Army has replaced its helicopters which are due for de-induction since the 10^{th} Five Year Plan period; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

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(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The details of Dhruv Advance Light Helicopters (ALH) inducted in Armed Forces so far is given below:-

| IAF | Army | Navy | Coast Guard |
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| 66 | 78 | 8 | 4 |

(c) & (d): Indian Army has initiated a case for procurement of Reconnaissance and Surveillance Helicopters (RSH) to replace its helicopters due for de-induction. The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) has accorded Acceptance of Necessity (AoN) for 200 Kamov 226T helicopters for which an Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) has been signed with the Russian Government in December 2015.
