

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4598
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 12TH AUGUST, 2016

ORDNANCE FACTORY BOARD

4598. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

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

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment regarding the contribution of the Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) in fulfilling the needs of the Army, if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the contribution of OFB in meeting the requirements of the Army and if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF DEFENCE
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(a) & (b): Majority of the requirement of items like Ammunition, Armoured Vehicles, Troop Comfort items etc for Indian Army are met through the Ordnance Factory Board (OFB). The contribution of OFB in meeting the requirement of the Army has increased over the years. In value terms, the supplies by OFB to Army has increased by over 25% in the year 2015-16 compared to 2014-15.

Further, for communicating long term requirement of Army, the system of Five Year Roll On Indent for Ammunition items has been introduced since 2010. In order to ensure time bound delivery to Army, a system of Letter of Intent (LoI) has been introduced to indicate the tentative quantities to OFB in the beginning of the year to enable OFB to initiate procurement.
