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## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 742**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 26th JULY, 2024

#### PRODUCTION OF INDIGENOUS LIGHT TANK

#### 742 DR. RAJESH MISHRA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working on time bound project Zorawar for the production of indigenous Light tank and its induction into Army by the year 2027 at high altitude border areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the progress of this project under the supervision of DRDO;
- (c) whether any private players are inducted into this project; and
- (d) if so, the details of the cost of this project?

## ANSWER

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SANJAY SETH)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. DRDO, Ministry of Defence is working on Development of Light Tank for Indian Army for deployment at high altitude area of our country. First prototype of Light Tank has been realized.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Sir. M/s Larsen & Toubro Ltd. Hazira, Surat is working as a Lead System Integrator of Light Tank and many MSMEs are working for development of subsystems of Light tank. The sanctioned project cost is Rs. 234.5 crores, which includes Design & Development cost and 01 prototype realization cost.

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