

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1022  
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PURCHASING OF EQUIPMENT FROM SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government propose to purchase small equipment for the use of defence services from small scale industries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): The Government purchases small equipment for the use of defence services from small scale industries subject to their meeting the prescribed standards. Items suitable for production by small scale industries are already being procured from small scale industries which are registered with Directorate General Quality Assurance, Ministry of Defence.