

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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ADVANCE LIGHT HELICOPTER
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether advance light helicopter `Saat Dhruv` are working satisfactorily in the three defence services; and
- (b) the total outlay of this project and the number of helicopters inducted so far in the services of defence forces?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The outlay of the Project as approved by the Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. Board is Rs. 57.46 crores towards capital outlay and Rs. 75.91 crores towards deferred revenue expenditure. Nine Dhruv helicopters have so far been inducted in the Defence Services and the Indian Coast Guard.