

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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LAUNCHING OF TARPEDO
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has recently launched Tarpedo;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the above weapon has been completely developed indigenously;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the estimated cost of production thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE PRODUCTION & SUPPLIES (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The light weight torpedo named Advanced Experimental Torpedo (AET) has been successfully launched.
- (c) Yes, Sir. The AET has been developed indigenously.
- (d) The torpedo has been designed and developed by Naval Science and Technology Laboratory (NSTL), Visakhapatnam a Laboratory of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and is being produced by M/s Bharat Dynamics Ltd Hyderabad.
- (e) The estimated cost of production of Design and Engineering model of one torpedo is Rs. 210 lakhs.