GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3788 ANSWERED ON:21.08.2003 PROCUREMENT OF WEAPON LOCATING RADARS AVSM, BRIG.(RETD.) KAMAKHYA PRASAD SINGH DEO

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are making any effort to develop weapon locating radar indigenously;

(b) if so, what is the status of the efforts; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has taken up indigenous development of Weapon Locating Radar (WLR) jointly with M/s. Bharat Electronics Ltd. (BEL), Bangalore.

(b) WLR, based on technology of phased array radar, is in advanced stage of development. Software has already been developed and evaluated. The platform vehicle and other activities are progressing as per schedule.

(c) Not applicable.