

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3938  
ANSWERED ON:17.08.2000  
LOSS ON ROCKET PRODUCTION  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have sustained severe losses on rocket production;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor along with the details of the manufacturing units;
- (c) the number of such rockets manufactured so far;
- (d) whether any enquiry has been held in the matter; and
- (e) if so, the outcome thereof and the follow-up action taken thereon?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE PRODUCTION & SUPPLIES (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a) to (e): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3938 FC  
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Ordnance Factories did not sustain any loss in the production of 68mm and 84mm Rocket currently under production. Ordnance Factories also supplied approximately 6,000 Nos. 122mm Grad BM 21 Rocket to Army between 1984-85 and 1990-91 as per specification and design of Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO). However, the production of this Rocket was subsequently suspended from 1991-92 as Army desired that the specifications needed to be revised and made on par with the Russian design. This has resulted in blocked inventory with the Ordnance Factory of about Rs. 20 crore. A Task Force has been constituted with DRDO to suggest, if possible, the measures to be taken for utilisation of the blocked inventory.