

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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PROCUREMENT OF VESSELS TO DETECT SEA MINES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to procure vessels to detect sea mines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon; and
- (d) the time by which these are likely to be procured?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) It is proposed to induct 8 Mine Counter Measure Vessels in the Indian Navy through indigenous construction.
- (c) The estimated cost of induction is about Rs. 6000 crore.
- (d) The vessels are likely to be inducted from 2010 to 2017.