GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

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IRREGULARITIES IN PURCHASES OF SPARE PARTS OF BOFORS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the irregularities committed in the purchase of spare parts of Bofors is being investigated by the Central Bureau of Investigation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said investigation has been completed; and
- (d) if so, the action being taken on the basis of investigation report?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (d): A case of purchase of spare parts of Bofors against a contract dated 24th August 1999, which was made during Operation Vijay, was handed over to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) for investigation. The CBI has registered a Preliminary Enquiry (PE) in the case. The enquiry in the matter is in progress.