

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EARTH SCIENCES
LOK SABHA**

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DOPPLER WEATHER RADAR
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Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to manufacture Doppler Weather Radars indigenously or proposes to import them;
- (b) if so, the comparative cost of each of these radars; and
- (c) the efforts made by the Government to manufacture these radars in the country itself?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

- (a) Doppler Weather Radars (DWRs) are procured through imports following global tender norms as well as from indigenous manufacturers.
- (b) India Meteorological Department (IMD) so far has imported 16 DWRs and procured 3 DWRs through indigenous manufacturers. The present basic cost of imported S-band DWR based on current tender is approximately Rs. 10 Crores and that of indigenously manufactured DWR is Rs. 13 Crores.
- (c) India Meteorological Department (IMD) is encouraging domestic manufacture of DWRs by placing orders with Indian institutions.