

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INDUCTION OF INSAS RIFLES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the army has refused to induct the INSAS Rifles being supplied from the Ordnance Factory Board;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Directorate General of Infantry has invited global tenders for replacement of the INSAS Rifles;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action being taken to equip the army with state-of-the-art weapons?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) & (d): No, Madam.
- (e) Modernization of Infantry is an ongoing process and all weapons requiring up-gradation or replacement with state of the art weapons are considered by the Government on requirement basis.