

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:946
ANSWERED ON:15.11.2010
PROCUREMENT OF SUBMARINES
Panda Shri Prabodh

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has placed order for procurement of Akula class Submarines from Russia in order to strengthen its naval defence system;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether inordinate delay is taking place on part of Russia in delivery of the submarines;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to expedite the delivery?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 946 FOR ANSWER ON 15.11.2010

Government constantly reviews the security scenario and accordingly decides to induct appropriate equipment /platforms including submarines. This is a continuous process undertaken through procurement from various indigenous as well as foreign sources in accordance with the provisions laid down in Defence Procurement Procedure to keep the armed forces in a state of readiness to meet any eventuality. Divulging further details in this regard would not be in the national interest.