

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1197
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2011
FORCE LEVEL OF NAVY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Navy requires 7-8 ships annually to achieve the force level of 150-160 ships by 2022;
- (b) whether with a view to bridging the gap between demand and supply of Naval ships, the Indian Navy is proposing to use Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode to meet the requirements; and
- (c) if so, the details of the proposal to take up projects on PPP mode?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1197 FOR ANSWER ON 8.8.2011

Government constantly reviews the security environment and accordingly decides about induction of appropriate defence platforms, including ships for the Navy. This is a continuous process undertaken through procurement as per the Defence Procurement Procedure (DPP) from various indigenous as well as foreign sources for the modernization of armed forces to keep them in a state of readiness to meet any eventuality. Ships are being constructed at various foreign shipyards, Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSU), Public Sector Undertakings (PSU) and Private Shipyards to exploit the overall shipbuilding capacity and to meet the requirements of the Navy.