GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

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MODERNISATION OF ARMED FORCES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the modernisation of the Armed Forces has received immediate attention during the Commanders' Conference held recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action plan chalked out by the Government for modernisation of the three Services of the Armed Forces to meet the emerging security challenges Service-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) & (b): Modernization of the Armed Forces is a continuous process based on threat perception, operational challenges, technological changes and available resources. Issues relating to modernization of Armed Forces are reviewed at various levels, including Commanders' Conferences.
- (c) A well structured planning process is in place for modernization of the Armed Forces. As part of this process, the Government is implementing a focused plan to build up the capability of the Armed Forces by force accretions and force modernization. This is based on a Long Term Integrated Perspective Plan (LTIPP) covering a period of 15 years. While formulating the LTIPP, a holistic view has been taken towards identifying threats/challenges of the future and the capabilities required to meet the same.