GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1047 ANSWERED ON:28.11.2011 MANUFACTURING OF AIRCRAFT CARRIERS Mahendrasinh Shri Chauhan

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has developed technical know-how for the manufacturing of large aircraft carriers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the manufacturing of such carriers is likely to start?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): Indian Navy has experience in successfully designing different classes of warships. The experience has enabled the Indian Navy to embark upon the design and construction of the indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC) at Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL), Kochi. Inputs have been obtained from abroad in specialized areas of design such as the Propulsion System Integration and Aviation Facilities Complex. Government has accorded sanction in January 2003 for construction of the IAC at CSL Kochi. Construction of the IAC is underway at CSL, Kochi.