

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INDIGENOUS DEFENCE PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the countries supplying the largest number of defence equipment/weapons including small arms to India;
- (b) the measures initiated to increase the share of indigenous manufacturing both in public and private sector;
- (c) the details and value of contracts given to the Indian companies during the last three years and the current year, year-wise; and
- (d) the policy for achieving self-reliance in defence production?

Answer

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

(a) Madam, Defence equipment/weapons are supplied by various countries which include Russia, USA, Israel, France, United Kingdom, etc.

(b) The 'Make' procedure was incorporated in the Defence Procurement Procedure (DPP) in 2006 to encourage indigenous development. Besides, the Government has included a new categorization 'Buy & Make (Indian)' in the DPP in November, 2009 to encourage indigenous production in the country. These measures are expected to promote indigenous design, development and manufacture of defence equipment both in public and private sector.

(c) Government constantly reviews the security scenario and accordingly decides to induct appropriate defence equipment/platforms. This is a continuous process undertaken through procurement from various indigenous as well as foreign sources 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.

(d) With a view to achieve greater self-reliance in Defence Production, Government has announced a Defence Production Policy in January, 2011.