

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MODERN DEFENCE EQUIPMENT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the defence forces still depends on conventional arms despite the introduction and availability of upgraded equipment with modern technology;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the details of the modern arms developed in India with the state-of-the-art technology during the last two years and the reasons for considering them superior to the earlier versions; and
- (d) the details of the arms manufactured by the Indian companies and exported during the last three years?

Answer

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

- (a)&(b): The Indian Armed Forces use a mix of conventional and modern equipment. A constant endeavor for upgrading the conventional equipment, developing new technologies and acquiring contemporary systems is made through indigenous and global route in accordance with Defence Procurement Procedure.
- (c) Some state-of-the-art systems developed by DRDO during the last two years include missiles, unmanned aerial vehicles, radars, electronic warfare system, sonars, torpedos, combat vehicles, combat aircrafts and communication systems.
- (d) The defence products manufactured by Indian companies include various items of arms, ammunition, tanks, armoured vehicles, heavy vehicles, fighter aircrafts & helicopters, warships, missiles, electronic equipment, radars, sonars, communication equipment, etc. The export of arms to various countries included rifles, ammunition, rockets, vehicles, radars, radios, batteries, night vision devices, communication equipment, spare parts, etc.