

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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REFORMS IN DEFENCE FORCES

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to undertake urgent reforms in the defence forces including the Army in respect of size, better training and equipment, etc;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the Government is likely to achieve the objective of organisational reforms and modernisation in the defence forces including the Army in order to meet long-term defence challenges?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam.

Based on the assessment of emerging security threats and the evolving scenario, periodic reviews to evaluate capabilities and requirements with respect to size, training and equipment are undertaken in consonance with the approved perspective plans of the defence forces. Being a dynamic process, such proposals are processed in the form of plans of varying durations. The capability development and modernisation of the Indian Army is intended to ensure that it continues to remain a formidable force to meet any long term defence challenges.