

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1511  
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EXPANSION OF NAVAL BASE  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has decided to expand Naval base at Karwar in Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the stringent eligibility criteria has not been met by any Indian Company; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a)to(d): A proposal to augment infrastructure at Naval Base Karwar is currently under consideration of the Government. The plan for augmentation of the Base with requisite infrastructure is in line with the strategic concerns and operational readiness and the eligibility criteria have been made accordingly. No Indian firm has met the eligibility criteria regarding financial strength, experience in execution of similar projects or requisite expertise as specified in the global notice for Expression of Interest.