

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PARTICIPATION OF PRIVATE SECTOR
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government's move to speed up Warship building by bringing in the private sector has been delayed; and
(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. A majority of warships are being built in India, in which private sector is also associated as per its capabilities. Given the complexities of shipbuilding, Defence Procurement Procedure (DPP) relating to the shipbuilding has also been revised comprehensively and a new section has been introduced in DPP-2011 containing guidelines for shipbuilding on competitive basis. Government has also promulgated a Defence Production Policy in January 2011. The objectives of the policy are to achieve substantive self-reliance in the design, development and production of equipment / weapon systems / platforms required for the armed forces, through indigenous public and private industry. Further, ships are being constructed at private shipyards also, as per their capabilities to exploit the overall indigenous shipbuilding capacity and to meet the requirements of the Navy.