

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1193
ANSWERED ON:13.07.2009
SHORTAGE OF WARSHIPS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Navy is facing shortage of warships;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to meet the shortage;
- (c) whether Russia has made any offer to supply warships to Indian Navy;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the orders, if any, placed to purchase Russian warships?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1193 FOR ANSWER ON 13-07-2009

Warships are inducted in the Navy as replacement for decommissioned platforms and for augmentation of strength of the Force. This is a continuous process based on the threat perception and security environment.

No fresh offer to supply warships to India has been received from Russia.

The repair and reequipping of ex-Admiral Gorshkov is in progress. In addition, three follow on ships of Talwar class Frigates have been contracted for acquisition from Russia.