

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:195
ANSWERED ON:11.03.2013
MODERNISATION OF INDIAN ARMY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to modernise the Indian Army;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds provided for the same and the progress made so far in this regard;
- (c) whether modernisation of the Indian Army is being delayed / hampered due to inadequate budgetary provisions;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken / proposed to be taken by the Government to provide adequate funds for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 195 FOR ANSWER ON 11.3.2013

Modernisation of the Armed Forces is a continuous process based on threat perception, operational challenges, technological changes and available resources. The process is based on a 15 year Long Term Integrated Perspective Plan (LTIPP), five year Services Capital Acquisition Plan (SCAP) and Annual Acquisition Plan (AAP). The LTIPP 2012-27 and Twelfth Five Year Plan 2012-17 for the Armed Forces have been approved by Defence Acquisition Council.

2. The budget estimates (BE), revised estimates (RE) and the actual expenditure on Capital acquisition for modernization of Indian Army for the last five years is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Budget	Revised	Actual	% Utilisation
	Estimates	Estimates	Expenditure	w.r.t. RE

2008-09	10176.07	8032.57	7714.78	96.04
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2009-10	13153.95	9486.84	11651.76	122.82
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2010-11	12386.36	10841.36	11717.09	108.08
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2011-12	14252.49	10832.87	10865.93	100.31
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2012-13	13724.14	11568.76	8204.16#	70.92
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2013-14	73444.59			
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Upto February, 2013

3. The non-availability of funds has not constrained the requirements of defence forces for modernisation.

4. Review is carried out periodically and the requisite funds are made available either with re-adjustments within or additional allocations made at the revised estimate stage.