

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF SHIPS SUBMARINES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Navy is having huge shortfall of ships and submarines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof against the actual requirements;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to fulfil the actual requirements;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e) The Indian Navy operates a balanced force in the Indian Ocean region and beyond. Towards that end, the present force levels are being augmented for undertaking the tasks defined for Indian Navy. Induction of ships / submarines is an ongoing process keeping in view the prevailing security environment, threat perceptions, emerging technologies and capabilities to be achieved. The acquisition of various naval platforms is pursued in accordance with the long-term maritime capability perspective plan, five year capital acquisition plan and annual acquisition plan.