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DEVELOPMENT OF DEFENCE INDUSTRIES  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has taken any action on representation to shape out new education syllabus for development of defence industries and defence related matter in consultation with Defence and Research Development Organisation (DRDO) to provide skilled manpower to domestic defence industries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) & (b): Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) collaborates with various universities/academia to impart specialised education in the field of defence and strategic studies to provide skilled manpower to domestic defence industries in the country.

University Grant Commission (UGC) has set up an Expert Committee to review the existing syllabus of defence and strategic studies at Under Graduate/ Post Graduate and M. Phil./Ph.D. levels. UGC has also decided to support the upgradation of the department of defence and strategic studies in 10 universities in the country during XII Plan period. Initially, proposals from the following five Universities have been invited for upgradation of existing department of defence and strategic studies.

1. University of Allahabad
2. University of Madras
3. University of Pune
4. University of Manipur
5. University of Punjab