GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:890 ANSWERED ON:27.02.2015 PARTICIPATION OF STATES IN REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS Singh Deo Shri Kalikesh Narayan

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of States that were represented through tableaux at the 66th Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi;
- (b) the names of States that were not permitted to participate in the 66th Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi;
- (c) whether certain States were not permitted to participate in the Republic Day celebrations despite repeated requests; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) to (d): An Expert Committee consisting of eminent persons from fields of art, culture, drama etc., considers various proposals received from the state Governments / UT Administrations and Central Ministries with regard to their thematic and creative contents.

After recommendation of the proposals by the Expert Committee and its Consideration in the Ministry of Defence, details of states whose tableaux were selected / not selected is as under:-

States / UTs Selected:- Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Assam, Jharkhand, Sikkim, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Haryana, Chhattis- garh, Arunachal Pradesh, Maharashtra and Gujarat.

States / UTs not selected:- Bihar, Kerala, Manipur, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Odisha and UTs Delhi and Chandigarh.