

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Role of Small and Medium Enterprises

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of initiatives taken by the Government to enhance the role of Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in the defence sector along with the mechanism developed to safeguard the interests of SMEs from international competitors;
- (b) whether the Government has fixed any target of defence procurement from SMEs by the year 2027 and if so, the details thereof along with the present level of defence procurement from SMEs;
- (c) the growth registered in the procurement of defence equipment / items from indigenous sources during the last two years and the current year;
- (d) whether there has also been consistent criticism of defence offset policy and the lack of participation of domestic industries in the defence sector; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

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