GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1376 ANSWERED ON:18.07.2014 MODERNISATION OF DEFENCE FORCES Kataria Shri Rattan Lal

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pace of modernisation of defence forces of the country is significantly slow;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether adequate funds have been made available for modernisation of defence forces in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof indicating the funds allocated / released / utilised for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken / being taken by the Government to expedite modernisation of defence forces?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (e): Modernisation of the Armed Forces is an ongoing process done in accordance with 15 year Long Term Integrated Perspective Plan (LTIPP), the Five Year Services Capital Acquisition Plan (SCAP) and the Annual Acquisition Plan (AAP).

Adequate budgetary allocations are made by the Government for modernisation of defence forces. There has been a significant increase in spending on defence modernisation. Funds made available for modernisation of Defence Forces during last three years and current year are as follows:

(Rs. in crores)
Year BE RE Actual
Expenditure
2011-12 56510.49 53292.30 56281.88
2012-13 66032.24 57395.46 58768.86
2013-14 73444.59 66406.41 66850.30
2014-15 75148.03 - -