

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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DEFENCE COOPERATION WITH VIETNAM
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Vietnam has agreed for defence cooperation with India for modernisation of Vietnamese defence forces and security forces;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether India has agreed to operationalise the \$100 million line of credit that will enable Vietnam to acquire national vessels from India and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Vietnam has also demanded from India to sell the Brahmos short range cruise missiles; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

- (a) & (b): India and Vietnam are cooperating in the field of defence including exchange of delegations, ship visits, training programmes etc.
- (c) India and Vietnam have recently signed an Memorandum of Understanding on \$100 million Line of Credit (LoC) for defence procurement by Vietnam.
- (d) & (e): India and Vietnam are engaged in discussions on defence cooperation, including the sale of defence items.