

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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FRENCH HELP IN SUB-MARINE PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether France has given assurance to India to help its Sub-Marine Programme;
- (b) if so, the salient features of this programme; and
- (c) the time by which the said programme is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): The Government have approved plans for indigenous construction of submarines for the Navy with foreign technical assistance, as may be required. France is one of the likely sources from whom such assistance can become available.