

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:364

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MANUFACTURING OF SUBMARINES

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is contemplating to get the submarines manufactured indigenously;
- (b) if so, the number of such submarines are likely to be manufactured;
- (c) if not, whether the Government proposes to purchase scorpion submarines;
- (d) if so, the time by which such submarines are likely to be purchased; and
- (e) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (e): The contracts for the indigenous construction of six French scorpene class submarines at M/s Mazagon Dock Limited (MDL), Mumbai, under Transfer of Technology from M/s ARMARIS, France were signed on 6th October 2005. Government sanction for the project has been issued for Rs. 18798 crore including Rs. 3553 crore as taxes. The project cost is inclusive of Rs. 2160 crore provided as budgetary estimate for Torpedo, Portable Deep Water Noise Range, Base and Depot spares and MDL infrastructure. It also includes the cost of the contract between MDL, Mumbai and M/s Armaris, France; MDL and Government of India; and Government of India and M/s MBDA, France. The first submarine is scheduled for induction in 2012.