

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1782  
ANSWERED ON:20.07.2004  
PURCHASE OF A.K. 47 ASSAULT RIFLES  
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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has recently purchased A.K. 47 assault rifles from a Bulgarian firm, which procures arms from international gunners and has links with agencies behind the Purulia arms drop case, by overlooking the tender offer which was 25% cheaper;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and?
- (c) the reasons for ignoring the cheapest offer?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) & (c): Do not arise.