

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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TRANSFER OF NAVAL SHIP TO MALDIVES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to sell small and medium size arms, warships and fighter planes to foreign countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to transfer navalship to Maldives;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is considering to built more naval ships; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE PRODUCTION (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) & (b): There are no proposal at present to sell warship and fighter planes to foreign countries. However, there are two outstanding export orders of small and medium arms with Ordnance Factory Board.
- (c) & (d): Recently one Navalship was transferred to Maldives, but no other proposal is presently under consideration.
- (e) & (f): Yes, Sir. 3 Frigates, 3 Destroyer Ships and 4 Corvettes are under construction with the shipyards under Department of Defence Production.