

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

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AGEING SUBMARINES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of submarines the country is having at present;
- (b) whether some of them are lying idle and also on the verge of replacement;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to build more submarines in the country;
- (e) if so, whether any agreement has been signed with other countries in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (f): There are adequate number of submarines in the inventory of the Navy. None of the submarines is lying idle at present. A project for construction of additional submarines has also been sanctioned by the Government. It will not be desirable in the interest of national security to disclose further details.