

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEVELOPMENT OF ROV BY DRDO
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), Pune has developed a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) which is designed with robotic functions for handling/defusing Improvised Explosive Device (IED);
- (b) if so, whether this robot has undergone trial tests and is to be inducted in Army; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Sir. Research and Development Establishment (Engineers), Pune, an establishment of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed a Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) for Indian Army which is designed for handling/defusing Improvised Explosive Device (IED).

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. User Assisted Technical Trials (UATT) with the help of Army have been completed. User trials are likely to be conducted shortly by Army. The decision for induction of the equipment will be taken by the Army after successful completion of the User trials.