Becoming self-reliant in defence manufacturing

†2121. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV: SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount spent on import of defence equipments and weapons during the last three years;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the steps being taken on the issue of becoming self-reliant/indigenisation in manufacturing of weapons are proving to be inadequate, due to which the import of weapon is increasing year after year; and
- (c) the steps taken to make the country self-reliant in the matter and by when self-reliance will be achieved, and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE): (a) to (c) Government is pursuing initiatives to achieve higher levels of indigenisation and self reliance in the defence sector by harnessing the capabilities of the public and private sector industries in the country. These measures include according priority and preference to procurement from Indian vendors and liberalization of the licensing regime.

The expenditure on Capital acquisition from foreign vendors and the percentage of such expenditure to the total expenditure on Capital acquisition during each of the last three years is as under:

(₹ in crore)

Year	Expenditures
2013-14	35082.10 (52.47%)
2014-15	24992.36 (38.11%)
2015-16	22422.12 (36.30%)

Leakage of question papers of Army Recruitment Board

2122. SHRI ANIL DESAI:

SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that question papers of an examination for recruitment to some lower level posts conducted by Army Recruitment Board, were leaked in

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