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Subject: Monthly Summary for the Cabinet for the Month of Oct 2024 (Unclassified) - Reg.

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- 1.1 Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for opening overseas offices by DPSUs, to promote exports, was under consideration in the department for some time and the same has been approved by Hon'ble Raksha Mantri on 27th Oct 2024.
- 1.2 The legal framework (draft bill) has been formulated for facilitating Indian Aerospace Industry towards higher level of delegation in respect of design certification and quality assurance for military aviation. DCN has also been prepared and approved by Hon'ble RM. Draft bill and DCN have been sent for IMC on 01st Aug 2024 and 16th Aug 2024 respectively.
- 1.3 From the past few years, Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for Strategic materials in defence is under consideration. Draft scheme has been finalised and in principle approval has been sought from the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure in August 2024.
- 1.4 Total strength of Non-official Independent Directors (NoDs) in Defence PSUs is 73, out of which 43 posts are vacant and the tenure of 23 NoDs is completing in December '24. The shortage of Independent Directors in the Board of Defence PSUs has resulted in non-compliance of Companies Act 2013, SEBI (LODR) and DPE guidelines on Corporate Governance leading to penalty being levied by stock exchanges as well as Audit observations from time to time.
- 1.5 One JS has been posted in DDP, who will be joining shortly. Further, an Additional Secretary and one JS also need to be posted against the existing vacancies at the earliest in view of the workload handled by the Department.