

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:530  
ANSWERED ON:29.08.2001  
SECURITY AT ORDNANCE DEPOTS  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the present security measures available for all Ordnance Depots of the country;
- (b) whether present security measures are adequate to check theft and unauthorised sale of arms and ammunition to anti-social elements and Terrorists;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the further measures to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 530 FOR 29.8.2001

All Ordnance Depots are provided with adequate security arrangements.

2. These arrangements include, barbed wire fencing, perimeter walls, search lights, sound communication systems, watch dogs, alarm systems etc.

3. Regular patrolling of perimeters and close liaison with Civil and Military Intelligence agencies is also maintained, apart from character verification of depot employees.

4. Modernisation and up-gradation of security arrangements is an on-going exercise related to changing circumstances, technological developments and security requirements.