

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4258
ANSWERED ON:10.04.2003
MODERNISATION OF ORDNANCE DEPOTS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to undertake modernisation of all the seven Central Ordnance Depots in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether experts have suggested modernisation thereof;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and concrete measures taken so far;
- (e) whether sufficient funds have been allocated for the purpose; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (f): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4258
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Government of India have decided to modernise all the seven Central Ordnance Depots located at Agra, Mumbai, Chheoki, Delhi Cantonment, Dehu Road, Jabalpur and Kanpur in a phased manner. However, to begin with modernisation of Central Ordnance Depot, Kanpur involving an expenditure of Rs. 187 crores approximately has been taken up. This project would be completed by December 2003. A sum of Rs. 41 crores has been released up to the financial year 2002-2003 for the modernisation of Central Ordnance Depot, Kanpur. During the 10th Five Year Plan, it is proposed to take up the modernisation of three more Central Ordnance Depots at Agra, Jabalpur and Delhi Cantonment at an estimated cost of Rs. 300 crores each.