GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3189 ANSWERED ON:14.08.2003 ORDNANCE DEPOTS IN RAJASTHAN JASWANT SINGH BISHNOI

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the nearest residential areas are at a safer distance from various ordnance depots in Rajasthan; and
- (b) if not, the details of the safety measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3189 FOR 14.8.2003

The details of Ordnance Depots situated in Rajasthan and the distance of the nearest residential places, villages from each Ordnance Depot are given below:-

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Ordnance Depot Location Nearest Distance from
              nearest residential
     place/village/city
            Bharatpur Kasauda 1 Km.
Ammunition
Depot, Bharatpur
19 Ammunition Depot Field Jodhpur Jhanjiwal 400 mtrs.
24 Ammunition Depot Field Lalgarh Kikai 400 mtrs.
  Jattan Chak
25 Ammunition Company Jassai Jassai 975 mtrs.
26 Ammunition Company Jaisalmer Rewa
                                       1 Km.
    Singh Ki
    Dhani
27 Ammunition Company Bikaner Jaitesar 1 & 2 Kms.
     & respectively.
    Sattasar
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- 2. As per existing regulations, a safety distance of 1145 Mtrs is required to be maintained from Ammunition Depots. However the following safety measures have been taken in this regard:-
- (i) The civil administration has been informed of the safety distances required to be maintained and move out the civil population beyond safety distance when required.
- (ii) Safety measures in accordance with ammunition stocking regulations have been taken by the Ammunition Depots to avoid

damage to civilian population and property.	
(iii) Cases have been initiated to notify the said depots as Works of Defence as per the provisions of Works of Defence Act, 190	13.