

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1268  
ANSWERED ON:02.03.2000  
MANUFACTURING OF ARMY VEHICLES BY JABALPUR VEHICLE FACTORY  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Jabalpur vehicle factory does not have orders for manufacturing army vehicles in accordance with its capacity;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the army had placed an urgent order for supply of certain vehicles in 1999; and
- (d) if so, the reasons as to why this order was subsequently shifted to Ashok Leyland and Tata Udyog?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE PRODUCTION & SUPPLIES (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1268  
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Vehicle Factory, Jabalpur has been given orders for 5862 of 2.5 ton LPTA 713 and 5/7.5 Ton Stallion Mk III vehicles during 1999-2000. These are new products, the manufacturing technology of which is being gradually absorbed. The production capacity for these vehicles would be firm up in about 3 years. No quantity out of the above orders has been shifted from Vehicle Factory, Jabalpur to Ashok Leyland or Telco.

2. Since Army had huge deficiency of vehicles in 2.5 Ton and 5/7.5 Ton category vehicles, they placed direct orders in March 1999 on Telco and M/s Ashok Leyland for 1,000 vehicles each to reduce the deficiency.