

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4335  
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PURCHASE CENTRE IN NORTH EASTERN REGION  
Sonowal Shri Sarbananda

**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is any proposal to make Guwahati, the Purchase Centre for the army with the objective to help the new entrepreneurs of the region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the present purchase level of the army with in the North Eastern region?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): No, Sir.

(c) At present, dry food rations are procured on a centralized basis and distributed to the troops throughout the country.